

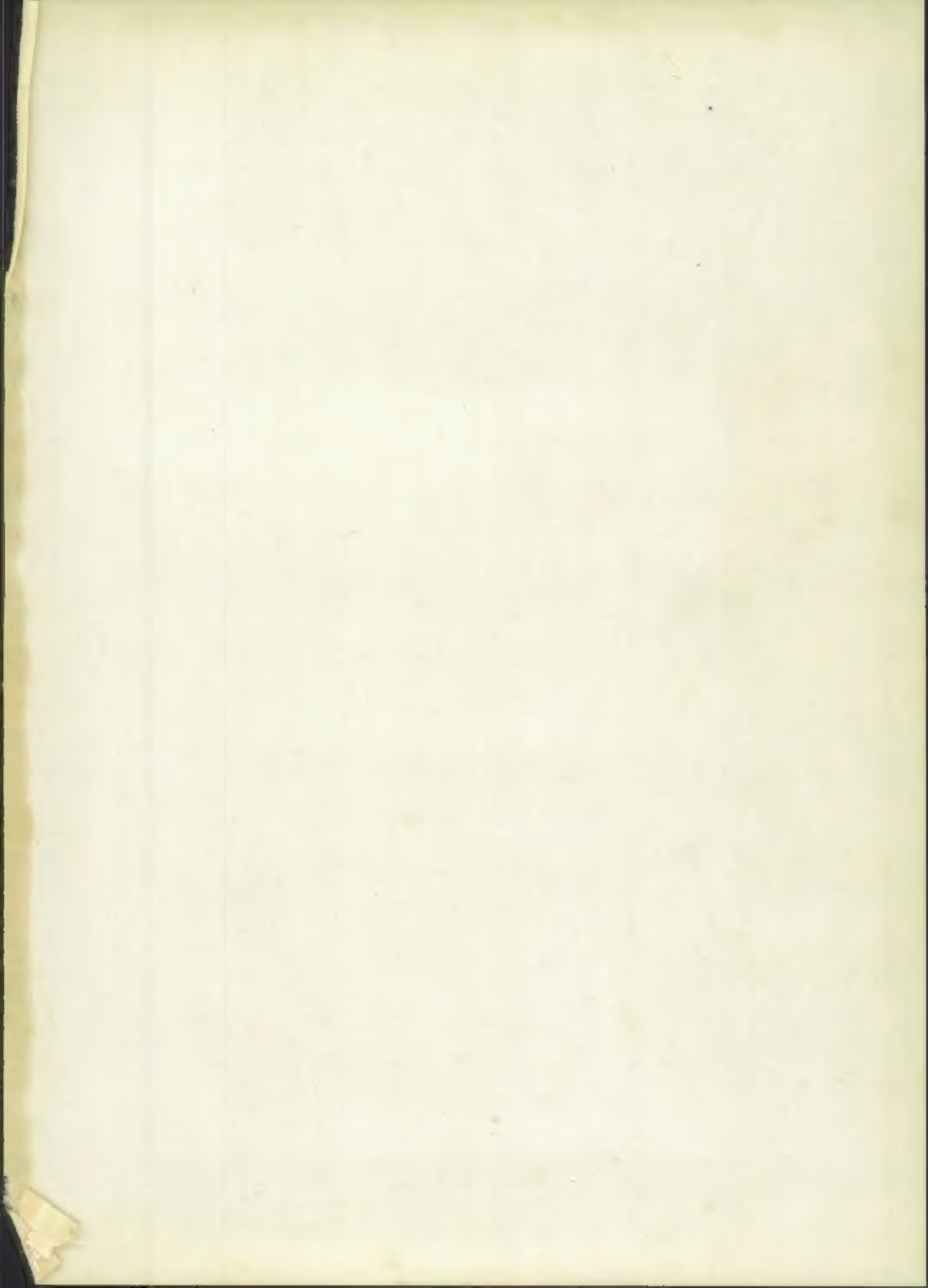
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# dedication

The Thomist staff respectfully dedicates this yearbook to His Excellency, the Most Reverend Allen J. Babcock, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Grand Rapids, in honor of the tenth anniversary of His Excellency's consecration.

Bishop Babcock's interest in college students has been demonstrated in the past by his assignments as assistant at St. Mary's Student Chapel at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, vice rector at North American College in Rome, and rector at St. Mary's Student Chapel in Ann Arbor. In September, 1954, His Excellency laid the cornerstone of the new Administration Building of Aquinas College and in October, 1955, blessed the completed addition to the college. The Bishop's concern for the welfare of Aquinas College and his sanction of the accomplishments of the school have been an encouragement and inspiration to those who strive to maintain the reputation of Aquinas.

To His Excellency we dedicate this record of the past academic year and pledge our loyalty as students of Aquinas College and members of the Diocese of Grand Rapids.



THE MOST REVEREND ALLEN J. BABCOCK, D.D., LL.D.  
BISHOP OF GRAND RAPIDS









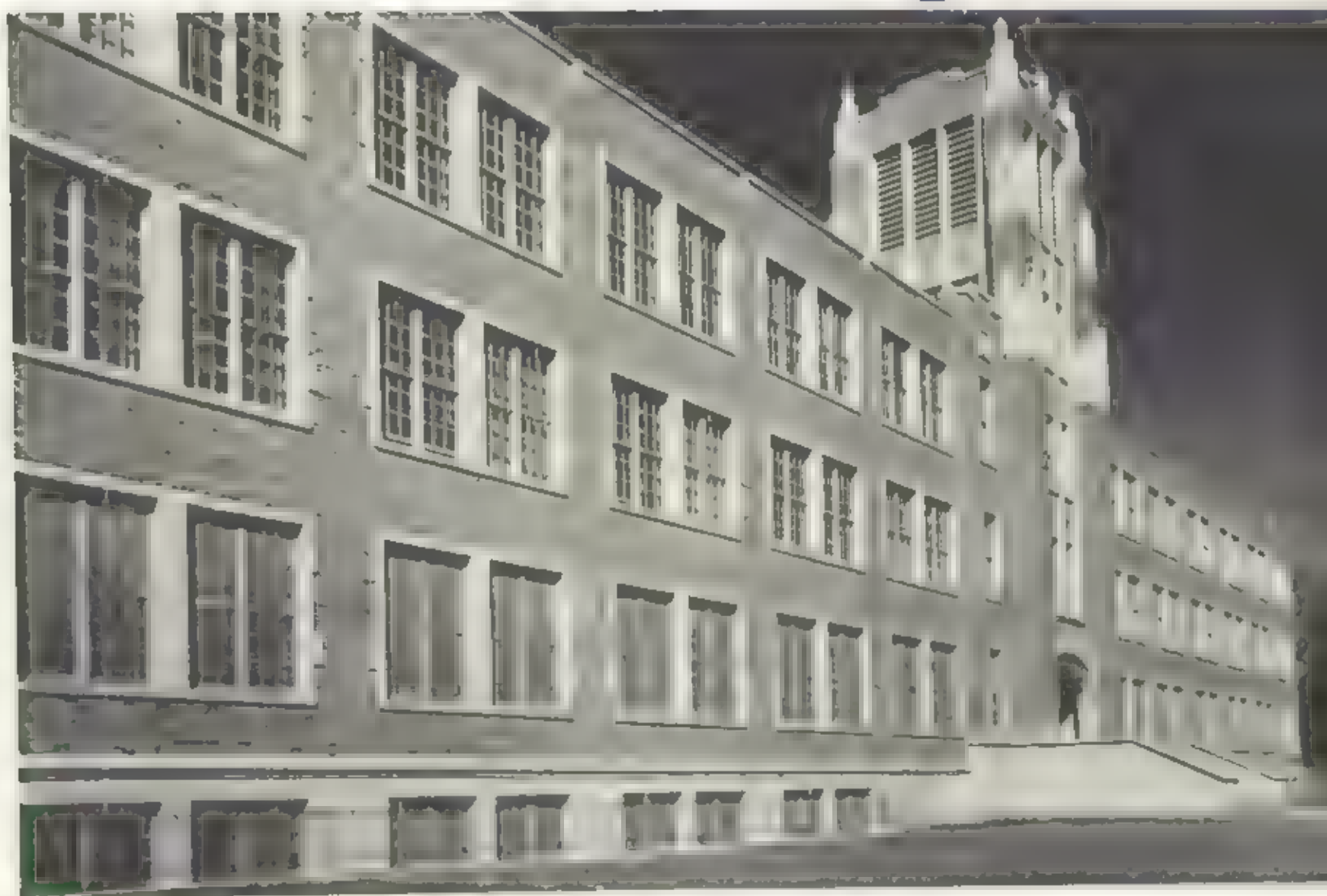




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administration building





albertus hall



field house






jordan hall





## foreword



The *Thomist* for the year 1957 is a representation of only one year enriched by the Aquinas Way. The Aquinas Way is a spirit which makes Aquinas distinctive — a way you have lived, people you have met, and things you have done — a unique situation and experience not to be duplicated at any other college. The Aquinas Way stems from the interest in the student as a person rather than as a product of mass education, the informal atmosphere in class, around a cafeteria table or at a Circle, the congeniality between faculty and students, the unity among the students because of their opportunity of sharing in responsibility, centered around the most important phase of the Aquinas Way, the spiritual life.

The spirit of Aquinas will be carried far beyond this year and the college campus, for it will remain with each person, who as a student has had the opportunity of participating in it.

This book presents our interpretation of the Aquinas Way — a tradition which you have helped to advance.



Falling leaves, books, and chatting with old friends  
set the scene for another year.



Ah, student life . . .





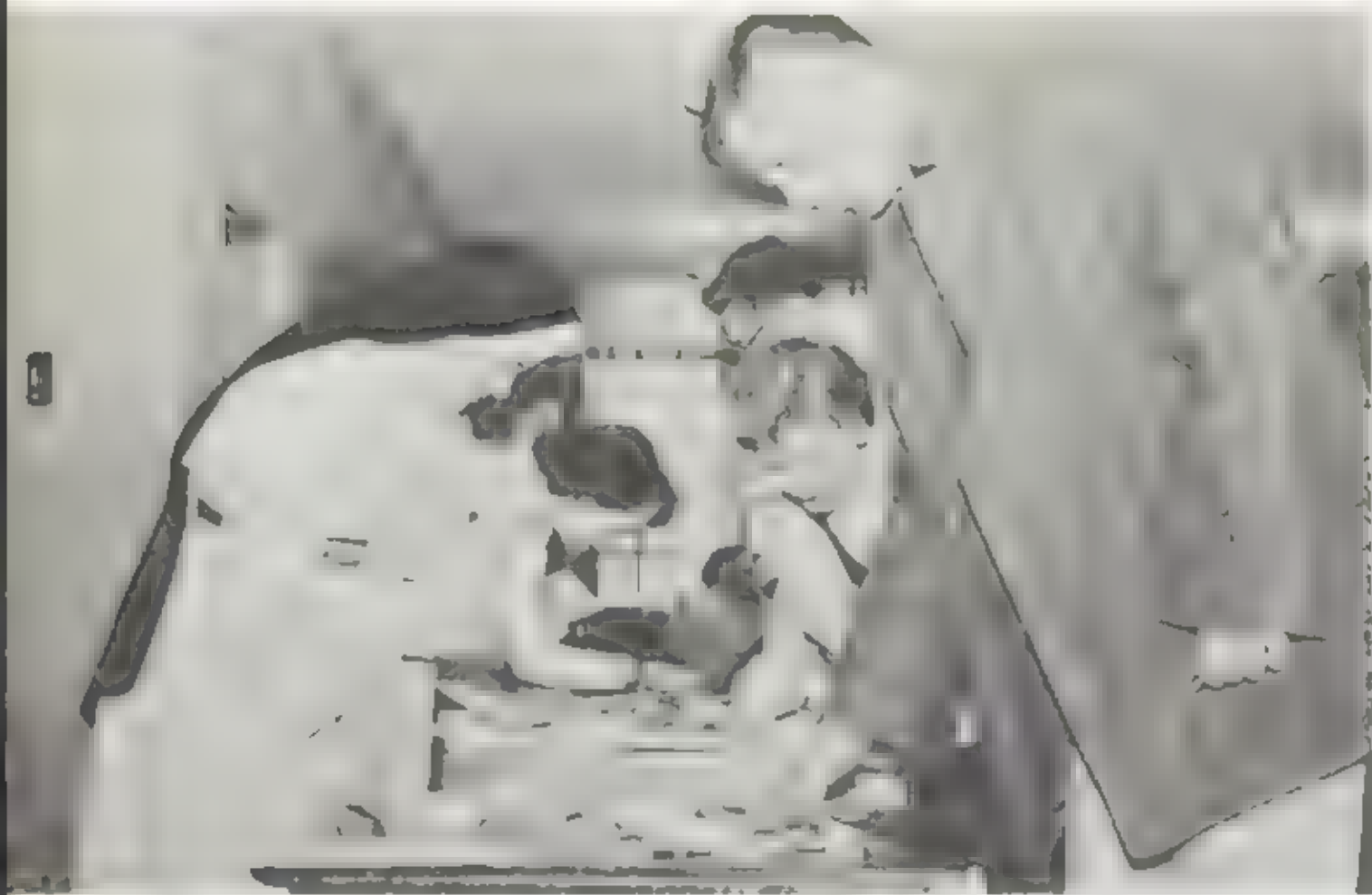
Taking advantage of our beautiful campus.



Don't bother me, I'm meditating.



Life of the party — the morning after.



Registration is inevitable like death and taxes.



Are you sure there are only 87 cards to fill out?





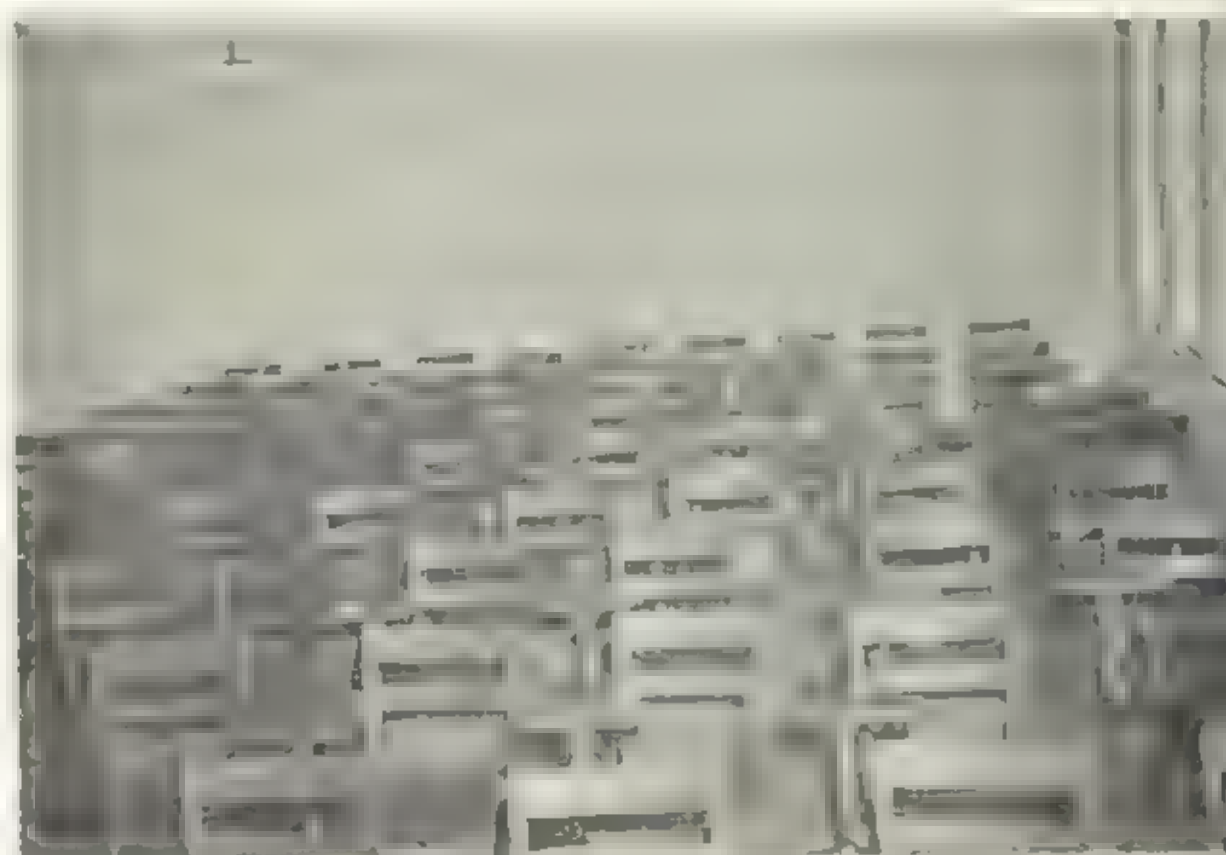
When in doubt consult the yellow pages of your directory.



Think I'll go to class this morning;  
I need the sleep.



At Aquinas nearly everyone reads the Herald.



Gone sailing? ? ?



Dropping into the chapel between classes is one of our well established habits



Where else but the cafeteria for coffee and a chat?





The night before the big test



But co-education had its drawbacks.



The essence of a studious atmosphere.



The room that made Milwaukee famous.



Unwinding after a series of tests.



Spring afternoon classes are really rough.



All right, play your silly ace.





A necessary evil — parking regulations.



Men of distinction prefer Willys trucks.



The spirit behind the team.





# faculty





THE RIGHT REVEREND MONSIGNOR ARTHUR F. BUKOWSKI  
PRESIDENT OF AQUINAS COLLEGE





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Dean of Aquinas College



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Registrar



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Librarian



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Dean of Women



Miss Eleanor Keating

Assistant Dean of Women



Rev. Thomas Hennessey, O.P.

Dean of Men



Mr. La Mountain

Assistant Dean of Men



## faculty



Seated left to right: The Rev. Paul J. Scanlon, Sister M. Gonzaga, The Rev. Thomas A. Hennessy. Standing left to right The Rev. Francis C. Lehner, and The Rev. John M. Donahue.

## theology, philosophy, and psychology



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## english

## foreign languages

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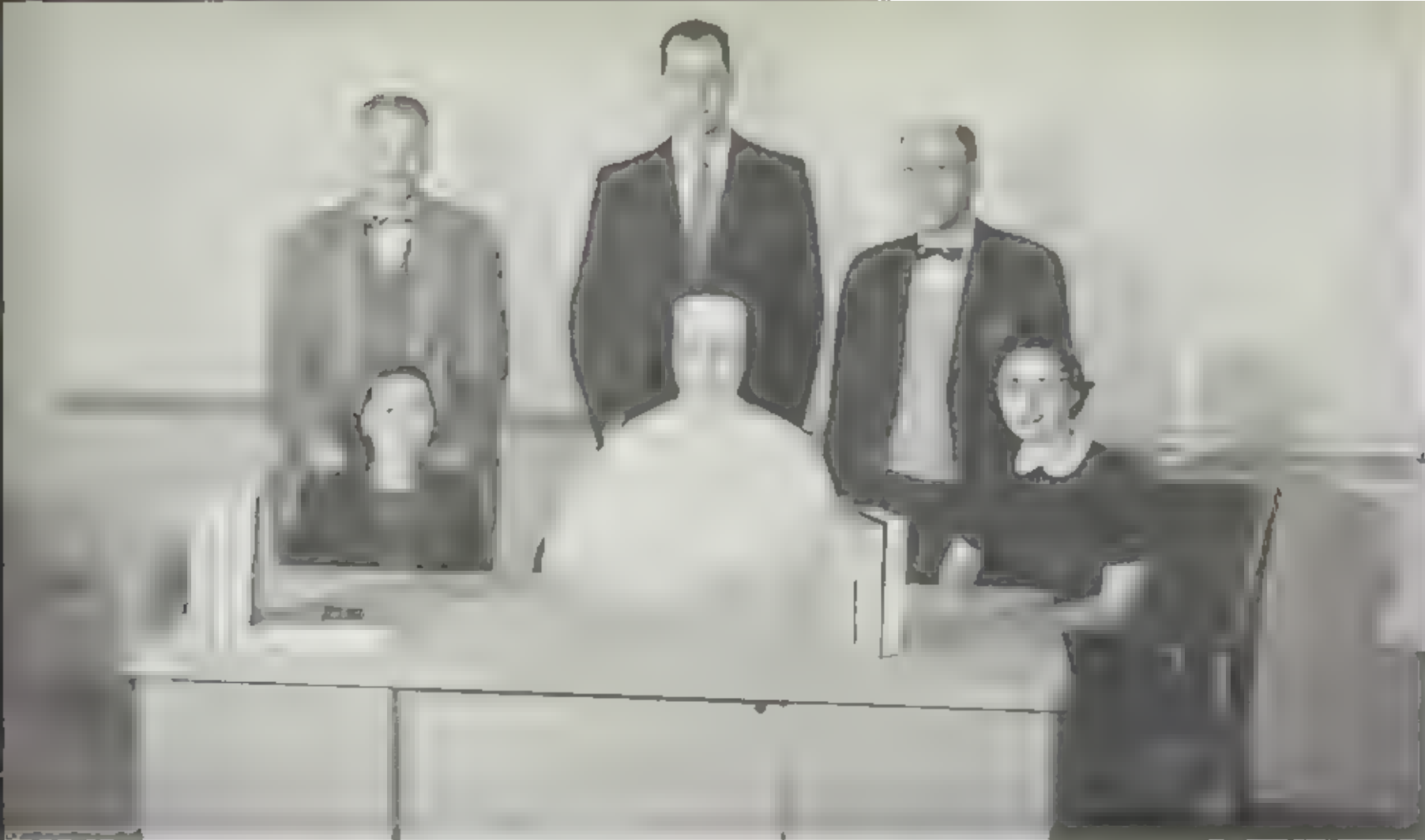
Seated at piano: P. Peter Sacco, Standing: Sister M. Annette, Henri L. Gibeau, Sister M. Kevin.

music

arts

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## mathematics

Seated: Richard Sedlecky, Sister Helen Louise;  
Standing: Lloyd C. Nietling, William G. Franzen.





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education

history

Left to right. Lewis B. Clingman The Rev. Adrian T. English, Sister Mary Noella.







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A. Milanowski, Edward Phillips, and standing  
Leland Hill.

## sociology

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A. F. Bukowski, The Rev. Thomas H. Kaufman.



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## cafeteria



Sister M. Angus, manager of the college cafeteria, serves a student while one of the student help, Rema Falconer, looks on.

## book store



Sister Helen Louise manages the well stocked college book store, with Student Carolyn Donovan helping during rush periods.



## office staff



Left to right: Catherine J. Black, Judith Barber, Sister M. Robina, Kathleen Barber.



Mrs. Gladys Ebels  
Switchboard Operator



Miss Malone  
Dean's Secretary

## maintenance



Left to right: C. Navarre, John Thomas, Ben De Boer, John Feutz, Joe Russell.



Mr. Ben De Boer  
Building Engineer



# students







**Lawrence Patrick Bayer**

**B.S. in Biology**



**Joseph William Benzer**

**A.B. in Business Administration**



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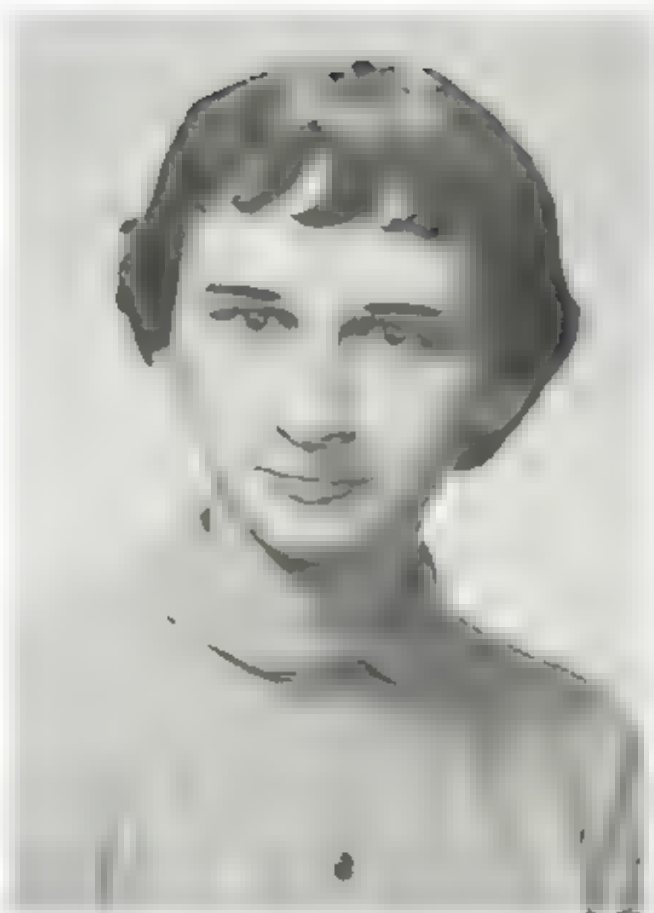
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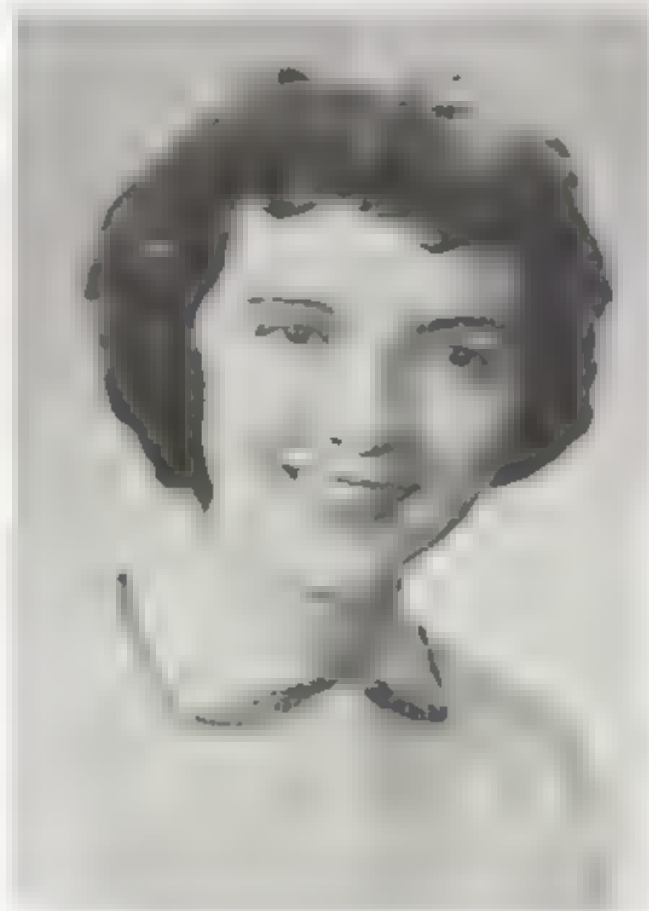
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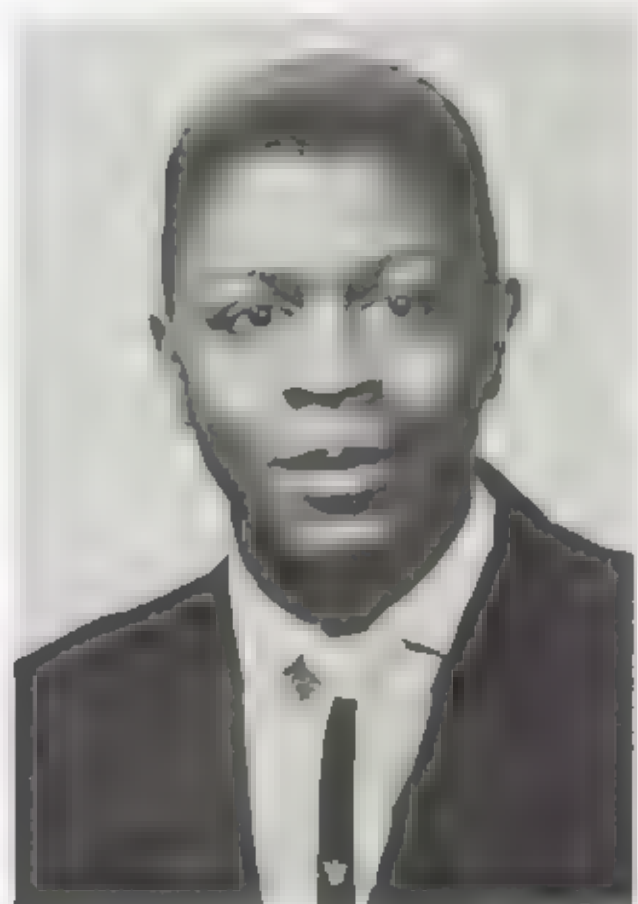
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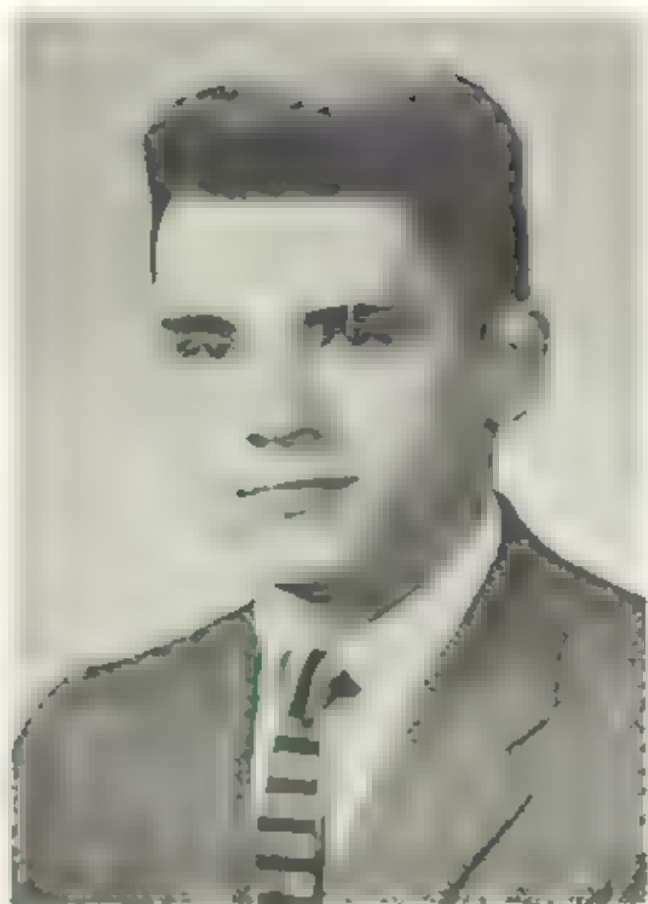
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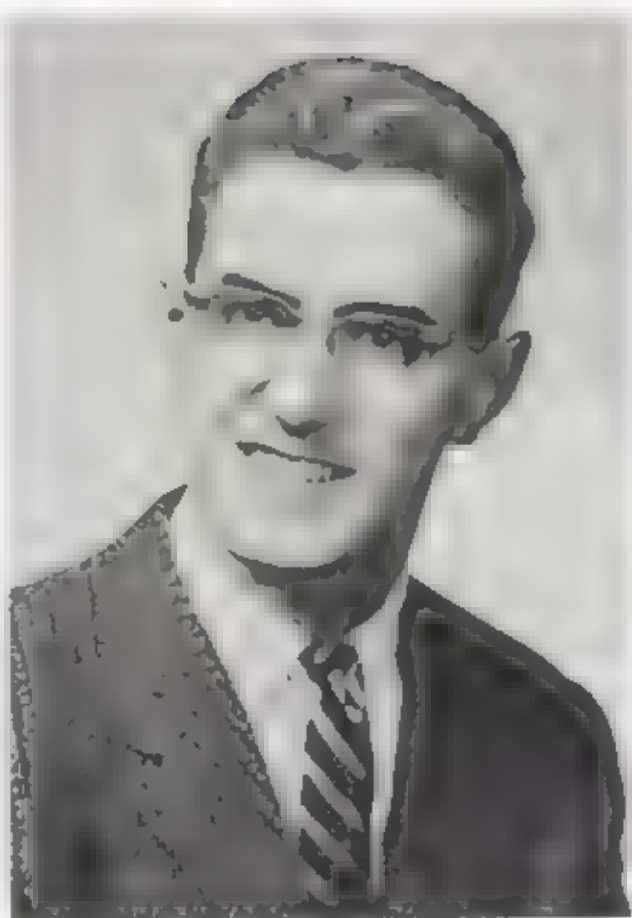
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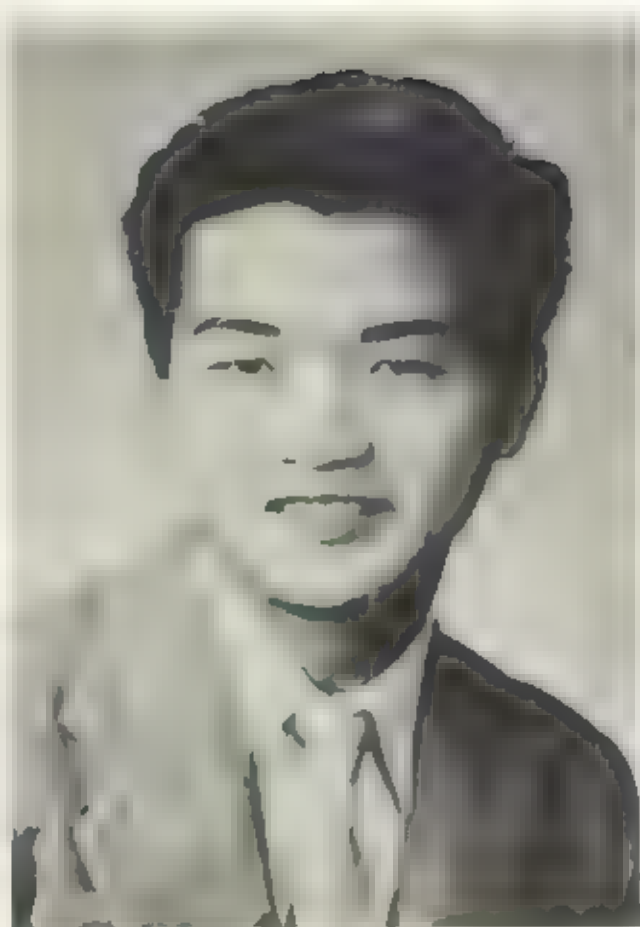
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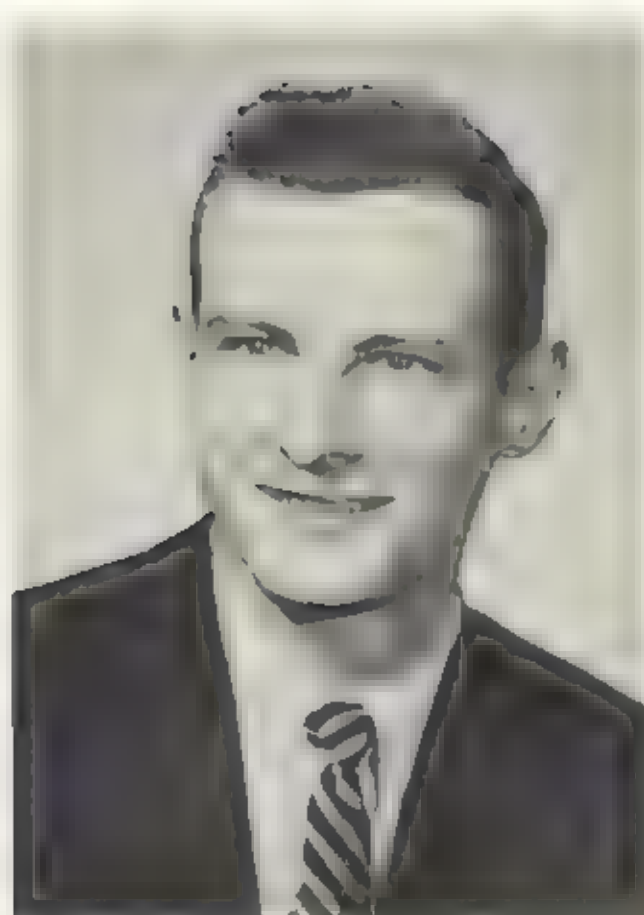


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B.S. in Business Administration

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Loretta Pauline Dorr  
A B. in Sociology

George John Durak  
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Jack Claud Du Rand  
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Thomas Alvin Hufford  
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Judith Barber  
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Lloyd Bishop  
Robert Bonczyk  
Maureen Boyle



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Ronald Brooker  
Charles Budnik



John Burns  
Kathleen Cashen  
Juanita Charlauros

Some graduate, some marry,



Harry Choals  
Milda Cuncins  
Richard Doyle  
Patrick Ebenhoeh



Beatrice Eglajs  
Lawrence Farhat  
Irene Ferguson  
Raymond Ferguson

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Jane Ford  
John Fuller  
John Gardella



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Janet Gazella  
Elizabeth Geller



Fauzy Ghareeb  
Nancy Guerin  
Eunice Gunn



Mary Ellen Hands  
David Honks  
Ralph Hauenstein



and some fall under dumptrucks.

Leonard Hayes  
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Roy Johnson  
Walter Jurek



Monica Kadikis  
Paul Kolinski  
Linda Kopec  
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We're not going to force you,



David Milanowski  
Mary Kay Mitchell  
Patrick Monks  
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Joseph Paul



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Ronald Rivers  
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John Schrems  
Joan Shuple



Sheila Smith  
Albert Steel  
Edwin Stephan



but this assembly is compulsory.

Les Stroud  
Vitalijs Tarbunas  
Allen Ten Eyck  
David Thompson



Sandra Thompson  
Carl Ulanowicz  
Robert Wisz  
Marlene Young



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Michaele Boos

Dee Brandell

Bertha Brown

Donald Brown

Leon Byl

Mary Campbell

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Wonder what they did in my 8 o'clock?



Paul Carpentier

John Caruso

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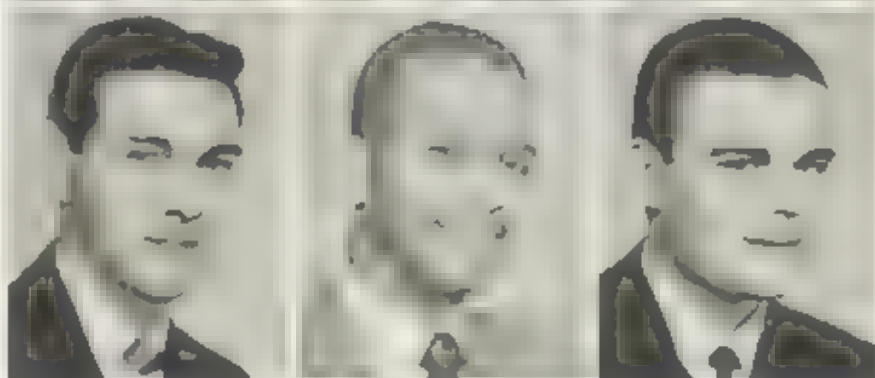
Richard Crampton

# sophomores

Robert Crampton  
Joseph Cronley  
Diane Dehn



Louis Denhof  
Riley Dennett  
John Doran



Loretta Drewes  
David Dumas  
Karen Earl



Agnes Eick  
Joan Ferris  
Richard Foltz



Wonder what they did in my 9 o'clock?

Fernande Gard  
Robert Gaudet  
Salvatore Genovese  
Thomas Goedel



Yvonne Greiner  
Jerry Griffin  
Douglas Gregory  
Fred Haslem



# sophomores



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Robert Howe

Gary Jansen

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Joanne Keenan

Edward Kelbel

Patricia Kirt

Sybil Klapperich

Bruce Kline

David Kolenda

Bernadette Konwinaki

At Aquinas one truth is self evident.



Dorothy Kunik

David Lake

Amelia Lalewicz

Joseph Lincoln

Elizabeth Linder

Judith Margrave

Jeanne Mayan

Patrick Menardie



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John Miles  
Patricia Miller

John Morse  
Joseph Murphy  
Rita Myska

Nancy Napieralski  
Carl Nowak  
Annette Pehr

Janice Pointer  
Delphine Permoda  
Geraldine Radawski



Both parking lots are congested.

Paul Rich  
David Richmond  
Mary Lynne Robach  
James Roberts

Lynn Rumsey  
Madeline Sadowski  
Bruce Sanson  
Marilyn Schubert



# sophomores



Gretchen Schwarz  
Erma Steffes  
William Sweetnam



Allen Telmos  
Dorothy Trusock  
Sara Van Roolle



Irene Vargas  
Charles Vogt  
Thaddea Wagner



Mary Werk  
Lawrence Wezensky  
Michael Wisnewski

Can't find my classroom.



Alice Wittenbach  
Charles Yob



Rose Yob  
Paul Zomberg

# freshmen

Hikmat Al Khouri

Louise Ambro

Dawn Argile



Robert Augustyn

Patricia Baczewski

Thomas Barber



Shirley Bartnick

William Bayer

Charlene Berry



Mary Boggiano

Patricia Boven

William Bowersox



They must have changed it again.

G. T. Bowles

Cecilia Bradley

Patricia Bradley

Robert Brown



Theresa Burns

Thomas Casaletto

Christine Chester

June Chuck



# freshmen



Jerome Conrad  
Patsy Coveyou  
Charlene Cribley  
John Crowley

Dan Cunningham  
Peter Cybulskis  
Cletus Denoyer  
Jacqueline Derda

Thomas Deschaine  
Jon DeVries  
Guy Diekman  
Marguerite Dombrowski

Susan Doody  
Margaret Doud  
Marilyn Dowler

Wouldn't it be great if all the mud



Milicent Eastick  
Rosemary Eddy  
Evelyn Ehler

Ronald DuPont  
Maureen Dungey  
Marie Durish



# freshmen

William Fallen  
Mary Jane Fein  
John Fennell  
Theodore Findley



Merlin Fritzen  
Joan Gamm  
Margaret Gazella  
Richard Geiger



Raymond Gerdes  
Kenneth Gilbo  
Richard Golembiewski  
Sandy Gordon

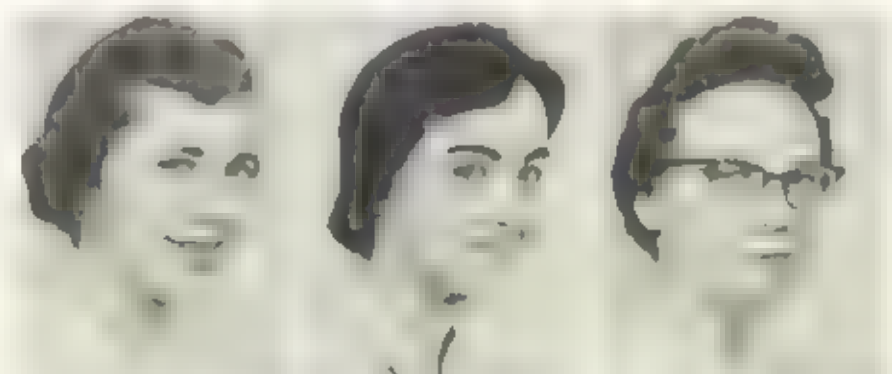


Roberta Gossett  
Marjorie Goulet  
Ronald Graybowski



around the field house were chocolate.

Jeanne Hackett  
Susan Hanrahan  
Margaret Hart



Rita Hasse  
Mary Henige  
Stanley Haraburda



# freshmen



Allen Heisler

Irene Hill

Patrick Hillary

Richard Hoffman

Kenneth Hozaski

Carole Homrich

Kay Ann Hyde

Janet Jelens

John Kallunas

Martha Kaminski

Ernest Keena

Frederick Kegelmeyer

Mary Ellen Kirkwood

Sharon Kistler

Rita Kline

## Ann Landers held her own



Sandra Koprowski

Patricia Kozlowski

Judy Lee

Robert Lodato

Adelle Lopez

Loren Lothschutz

# freshmen

Gerald Luxford  
William Lynch  
Mary Agnes McCarty  
Rosemary McDonough



Catherine McEvoy  
Sharon Mockley  
Douglas MacDonell  
Frank Magnuson



Thomas Mancewicz  
Ann Mason  
Ralph Mathis  
Phillip Monterusso



Joseph Myallwicz  
Sharon Nanzer  
Roberta Nargis



as 1957's campus craze.

Barbara Neal  
Elaine Nuessendorfer  
Henry Norder



Marie Norris  
Charlene Ohren  
Joseph Orlando



# freshmen



Lorena O'Rourke  
James Pawlak  
Richard Petrick  
Virginia Picotte

John Poposki  
Carolyn Radawski  
Eric Rikans  
Roberta Robinson

Mary Horabacher  
Terrence Schmidt  
Joseph Schmitz  
Elizabeth Schneider

Carmela Selvaggio  
Maximilian Sempowski  
Anita Seyfert

Cuts unlimited, a mad, impetuous dream.



Mary Sheridan  
Jerri Siebe  
Frank Simons

Lawrence Slade  
Caroline Smith  
Gerald Smith



# freshmen

Richard Smith  
James Soltysiak  
Judith Spendow  
Thomas Stachowiak



Dorothy Stasek  
Judith Suchocki  
Mary Sullivan  
Marcia Templin



Jacqueline Uzas  
Rosale Van Havermaat  
Stanford VanHoeck



Lazaro Vega  
Roy Vincent  
Richard Wakulat, Jr.



## Is anyone free for a bridge game?

Carol Weatherman  
Bernard Wittgens  
Ryner Wittgens



Robert Wysocki  
Madelyne Zant  
Francis Zawacki



# class officers



SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Left to right: Treasurer Jacob Robinson Secretary Joan Wisneski Vice President Mary White President, Michael Deeb



JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Left to right: Treasurer, Patrick Ebenhoeh; Secretary, Kay Sanders; Vice President, William Passinault. President, Sheila Smith.



#### SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

Left to right Vice President, Jeanne Mayan, President, James Vogl, Treasurer, Andrew Meholic; Secretary, Yvonne Greiner.



#### FRESHMEN CLASS OFFICERS

Left to Right Vice President Patricia Doyle President Thomas Mayan, Treasurer Max Sempowski, Secretary, Joan Gamm.

## mercy central school of nursing



The capping ceremony was held Sunday March 31, 1937 at the Ladies Literary Club. Rev. Bernard Lohmann, C.S.P. was the guest speaker. Monsignor A. F. Bukowski presided as master of ceremonies and choral selections were directed by Anthony J. Brink.



Martha Abel  
Jean Andres  
Judith Ballstetter

Andrea Barber  
Sally Beadle  
Joan Benford

Gerda Bovey  
La Donna Breen  
Evelyn Bronikowski

Lydia Brophy  
Deanne Brown  
Dorothy Cabot



Two meetings --wish I could bilocate.

Louise Carr  
Virginia Collins  
Barbara Cook

Florence Cook  
Shirley Deuling  
Mary DeYoung





Joan Dolinsek  
Mary Donnelly  
Barbara Downer

Helen Dunaw  
Ruth Ann Easton  
Judith Edgar

Linda Eilers  
Judith Engle  
Barbara Fitzgerald

Jean Frechen  
Barbara Galajda  
Pauline Garrow

You mean you don't teach



Koy Hausbeck  
Sharon Hetteran  
Joan Hellig  
Frances Hinkle

Sally Kamischulte  
Sharlene Kapral  
Laura Lee Kempf  
Joyce Kiessel

Sarah King  
Annette Koets  
Sylvia Kramer



Janet Johnson  
Shirley Johnson  
Marcia LaBoda



Carol Lee  
Glenadine Linten  
Betty Luther



Barbara Lynam  
Emily Manning  
Annette Mason



## underwater-basket-weaving here?

Roseann McDonald  
Corinne McGuire  
Janet McKnight  
Mary Ann McLaughlin



Marcella Milanowski  
Sister Mary Miles  
Donna Nichols  
Beatrice Palmer





Berniece Palmer  
 Patricia Pauley  
 Marcia Pearson

Mary Jane Peterson  
 Kathleen Plamondon  
 Nancy Purzecki

Patricia Putnam  
 Sister Mary Rebecca  
 Ruth Reese

Frances Rieder  
 Patricia Rorke  
 Bernice Schmidt

## Dance favors?



Clara Schuch  
 Ellen Schultz  
 Linda Selvig  
 Judy Shumsky

Pauline Sielski  
 Margaret Simon  
 Bernice Snyder  
 Alma Soderberg



Barbara Sporman  
Nancy Shulte  
Linda Stacer



Judith Stapleton  
Margaret Stroh  
Ann Thomas



Ann M. Thomas  
Helen Tierson  
Pauline Tronson



Barbara Usarski  
Janet Vanburgen  
Barbara Veldman



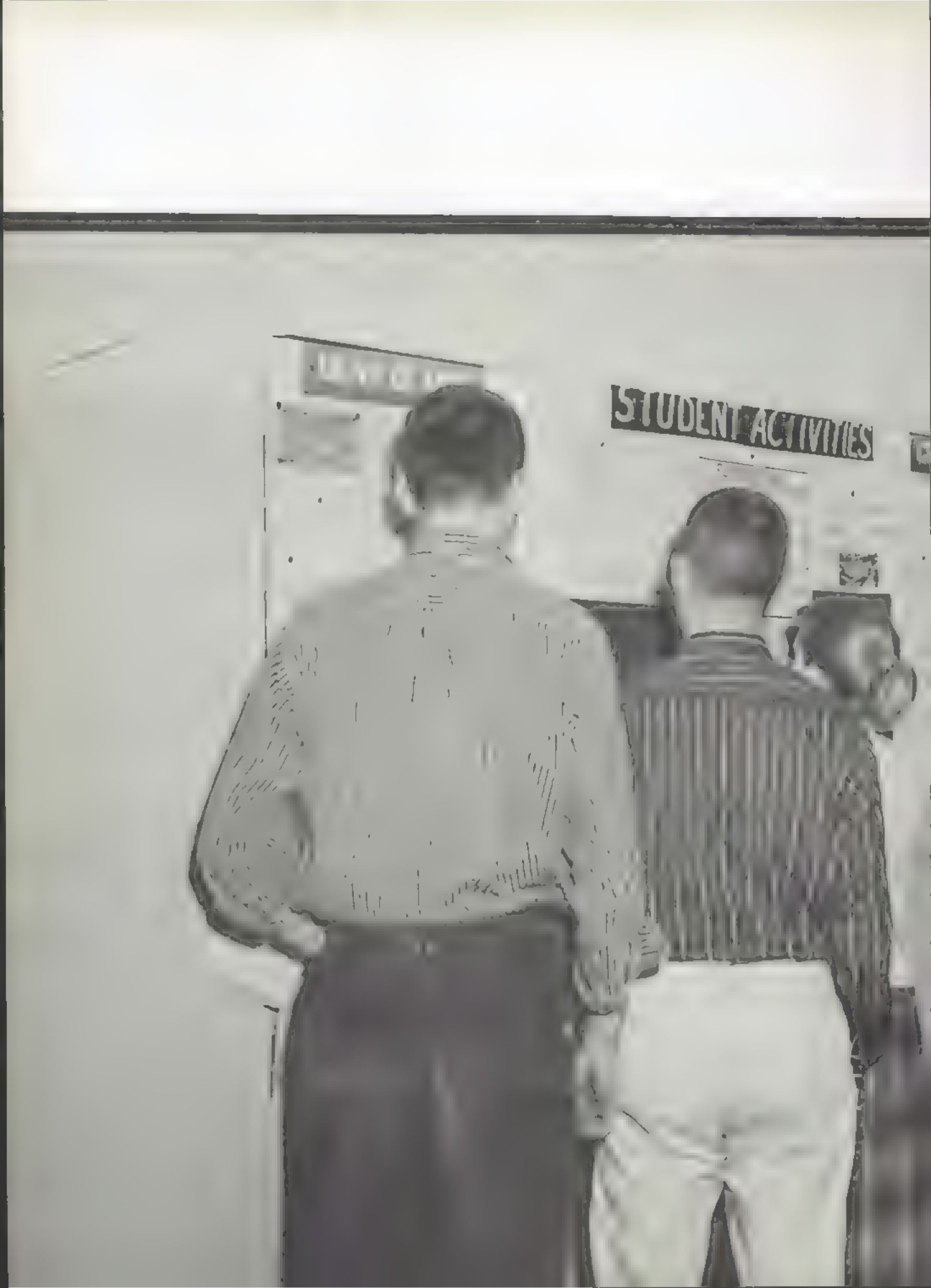
Let's try monogrammed earplugs.

Ruth Verheule  
Karen Verhulst  
Judith Walsh  
Margaret Waskevich

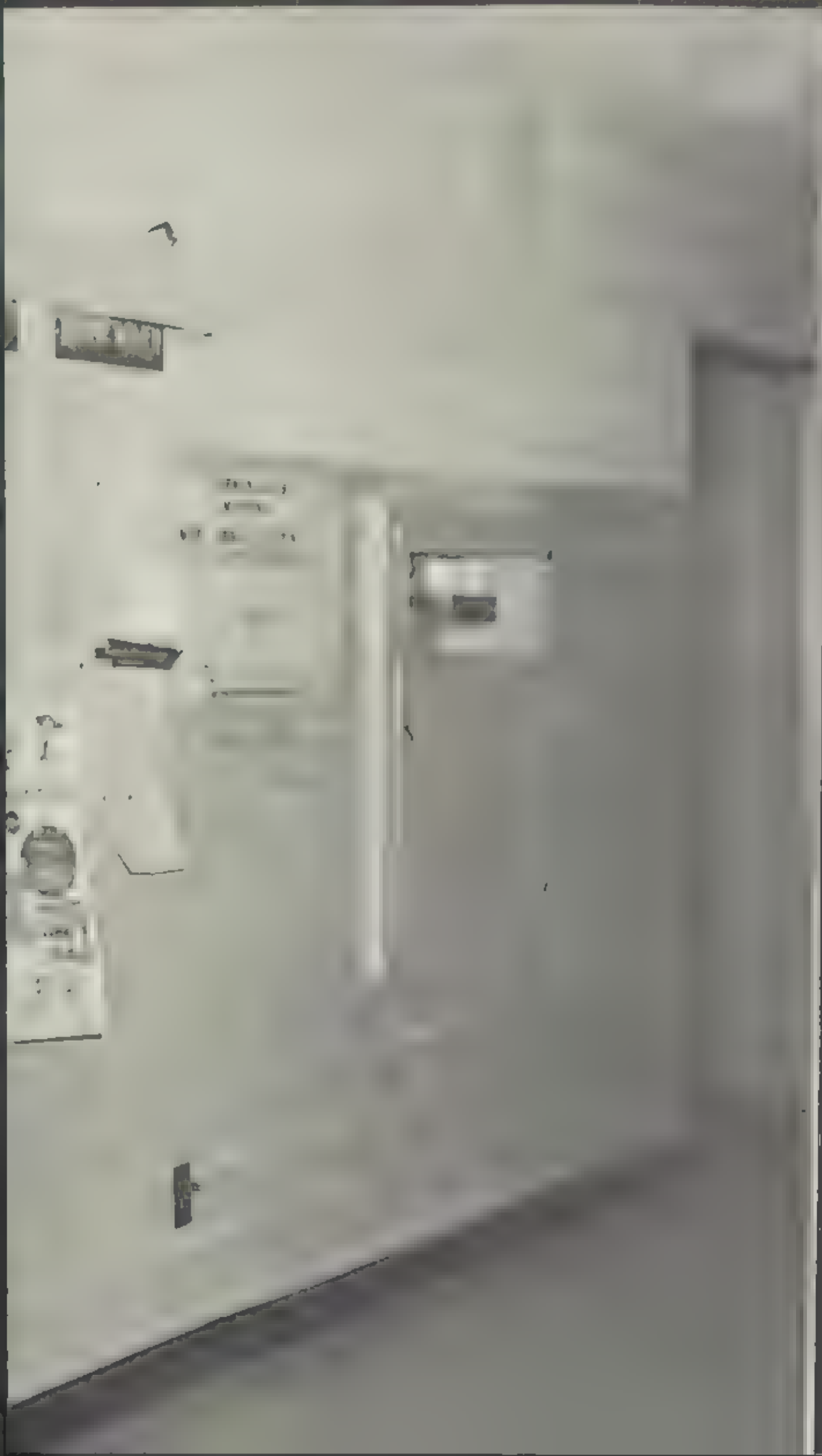


Phyllis Wenk  
Arlene Wiltenburg  
Sally Winey  
Margaret Wisniewski





# activities





Education has been found to be more than books. A participation in the varied campus projects offered more meaning to college life. The numerous activities of Aquinas have given students the opportunity to become acquainted with new ideas, new fields, and new personalities.

There is an extra, but essential value in the lesson learned through cooperative efforts. By uniting their spiritual, recreational, traditional, and educational needs, the students enriched their college experience.





## retreat



Our annual retreat was held October 24, 25 and 26. Reverend John T. Dittoe, O.P., was retreat master for the women's retreat held in the college chapel. Reverend Francis D. Nealy, O.P. for the men's retreat at St. Thomas Church.

These days of spiritual rejuvenation gave us a chance to put aside our studies and social life and concentrate on our spiritual progress. We asked ourselves, "Where am I going? How far am I?"

Attending early Mass, spiritual reading, and meditating on the thoughts presented to us in the conferences created an atmosphere conducive to spiritual self betterment. The retreat ended with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and the Papal Blessing.

These days were a rewarding experience for all of us, according to our individual needs.



Rev. John T. Dittoe



Rev. Francis D. Nealy

## rosary procession



On October 10 we held our annual Rosary Procession. Faculty and students clad in cap and gown marched in procession while reciting the rosary and singing hymns in honor of Our Lady.

Reverend F. C. Lehner, O.P., assistant professor of theology and philosophy at Aquinas, was speaker. In his sermon, emphasizing the necessity for praying the rosary daily, as stressed at Fatima by the Blessed Virgin, Father Lehner said, "It would seem that she was bringing glory to herself not merely as a woman, but as a mother. But it is as a mother that she begs us to say the rosary so that we, her children, will benefit."

As a fitting close to the ceremony, we participated in the celebration of Benediction.

## marian congress

Stemming from the devotion of the Dominican Order to the Blessed Virgin and its dedication to the fulfillment of her wishes expressed at Fatima, the annual Marian Congress has become a distinctive feature of the college year at Aquinas. This year the tenth annual Marian Congress was held on May 12 on the Aquinas campus. The co-chairmen, Elizabeth Keelean and Floyd McCoy, worked under the direction of Rev. Paul Scanlon, O.P., student chaplain. The ceremony consisted of a procession, coronation, sermon, and Benediction. All the schools in the Grand Rapids diocese participated in the formation of the living rosary.

In keeping with the growth of Aquinas, the Marian Congress has drawn both citywide and statewide acclaim. Many people attend from all over the state to honor Our Blessed Lady.



CO-CHAIRMEN: Elizabeth Keelean and Floyd McCoy.



Crowning ceremony from the 1956 Marian Congress

# lambda iota tau conference



Left to right: Dr. John Timmerman, Dr. Warren Fleschauer, Dr. Russell Kirk, and Mr. F. V. Bernard

Lambda Iota Tau held its first national creative writing conference at Aquinas seat of the Beta chapter, on November 5. This conference was organized by Miss Mary Ann Seward of Aquinas. Lambda members from nineteen colleges submitted poetry, one act plays, informal essays and short stories.

Judges for the poetry division were Dr. John Nist of Eastern Michigan College and Sister Mary Ewardine R. S. M. of Mercy College. For the short story division judges were Sister Robert Louise, O.P. of Santa Heights College, Miss Gertrude Horgan of Aquinas, and Dr. John Timmerman of Calvin College. For informal essay Mr. Frederick V. Bernard of Aquinas, for one act play, Dr. Howard Langford of Adrian College.

Dr. Russell Kirk, well known scholar and friend of Lambda, and Dr. Warren Fleschauer, Lambda's founder, talked at the general assembly.

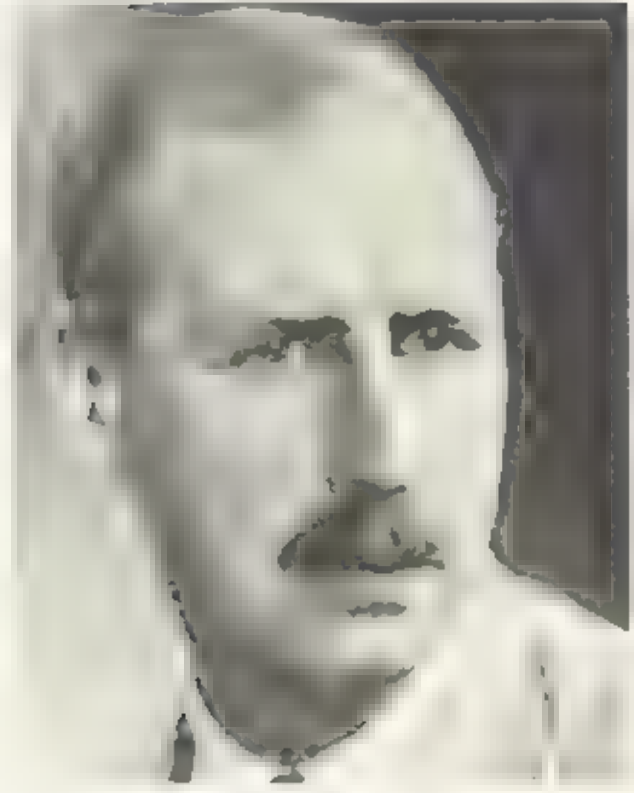


Left to right: Miss Gertrude Horgan, Dr. John Timmerman, and Dr. Robert Louise, O.P.



# lectures

On November 28, the student body met at the Ladies' Literary Club to hear an enlightening and stirring talk on the European situation leading up to current uprisings in Poland and Hungary. The talk was given by Dr. Erik von Kuehnelt-Leddihn, noted Austrian lecturer and author on current history. In concluding his talk, Dr. Kuehnelt-Leddihn made a plea for our prayers and our financial help to alleviate the hardships of the Hungarian students whose brave revolt against Communism has been an example of courage to students of the free world.



Dr. Kuehnelt-Leddihn



Seumas MacManus

On December 5, Aquinas played host to the well-known poet, shanachie, and dean of Irish literature, Seumas MacManus. After setting the atmosphere by giving a history of the origin of Irish legends and the tradition of passing them down from generation to generation, the speaker told us a tale entitled "The Well O' The World's End" as well as other tales he has preserved for posterity in his many books.

## honors convocation



In keeping with the traditional date, this year's honors convocation was held on March 7, the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, patron of schools. Students and faculty in cap and gown assembled at St. Thomas Church, and assisted at a solemn high Mass at which the celebrant was Reverend Thomas H. Kautman, O.P., deacon Reverend Francis C. Lenner, O.P. and sub-deacon, Reverend John M. Donahue, O.P.

Immediately following Mass, The Right Reverend Monsignor Arthur F. Bukowski addressed the assembly extending congratulations to the students who had attained the honor of appearing on the Dean's List, which indicates an all "A" average for two terms, and to the others who appeared on the Honor Roll having attained a "B" average for two successive semesters.

Students on the Dean's List were freshmen Patricia Doyle, Phyllis Perry, Carolyn Radowski and sophomores Geraldine Radowski, Louis Esch, and Elmer Theodore.



## aquinas night



On January 13, the Knights of Columbus, Martin C. Carmody Council 389 sponsored Aquinas Night to honor the members of the senior class and their parents. Speakers at the event were Dr. Francis A. Arlinghans, director and dean of the evening college of the University of Detroit, and James E. Munger, graduate of the University of Detroit and Georgetown University.

The night was highlighted by the presentation of certificates of merit to representatives from the senior class, Mary White and James Morris. These students were selected on the basis of their outstanding personal endeavors and achievements as undergraduates at Aquinas.





gala weekend a big success!



On November tenth and eleventh we saw the fulfillment of months of planning, organizing, and publicizing. It was the first effort of its kind, a large undertaking for a small college. Its successful execution was, in fact, a proof that in years to come affairs of this type could be repeated annually.

The Gala Weekend, by its title, denotes not only the pleasure so many derived from the dance, carnival, and dinner, but also a spirit of willingness which made the tasks of the chairman lighter.

We set our hopes high, and they were realized. The week-end was a financial as well as a social success.



The kickoff for the Gala Week-end was the Inaugural Ball held in the Black and Silver Room of the Civic Auditorium. There, the students danced to music furnished by the M. Dee's. They were happily surprised by the appearance of Father John Hart, O.P. and Father Bernard Hart, O.P., former instructors at Aquinas, who crowned Queen Judy Margrave and King Roy Crete.

Congratulations is due to the chairmen whose excellent organization and supervision of committees proved their executive ability and their loyalty to a task.



INAUGURAL BALL ROYALTY: Roy Crete and Judy Margrave, being crowned by Father Bernard Hart, O.P. and Michael Deeb. Court left to right, Suzanne Mankoski, Les Stroud, John Morse, and Rita Kolarik

through the cooperation of many - -



Chairmen gathered around the Plymouth which was raffled are left to right: Lawrence Farhat, publicity; Mary Jane Stochowiak, dinner; Ronald Olen, car raffle; Michael Deeb, dance; James Morris, carnival. George Krupp, Gala Weekend chairman, is not pictured.



## booths



In a matter of hours the ground floor at Aquinas was completely altered from ordinary college halls to the scene of a gay carnival. The cafeteria became a dining hall in which dinner was served to more than a thousand guests; the League and Union became enclosures for decorated booths; music and dancing attracted people to the Old Heidelberg where authentically-dressed "German" waitresses served refreshments. This was the culmination of our successful week-end.





— and more booths —



# dances

The actual social season at Aquinas begins the minute the students greet each other at the start of the semester. It becomes officially initiated at the opening dance of the year. The preparation is often more exciting and certainly more time-consuming than the actual event. Girls especially, spend weeks planning what they will wear, debating whether or not they should change their hair styles, and deciding if they really can afford those shoes that would complement the dress so well.

P A announcements posters everywhere, and ticket-selling in the cafeteria are constant reminders of the coming dance. It becomes the topic of conversation during class breaks and the object of daydreams during class lectures.

The evening arrives, the parties before and after are well attended, the dancers dread the sound of 'Goodnight Sweetheart' because "They could have danced all night." Memories are made of this.



INAUGURAL BALL CHAIRMEN: Bertha Brown, decorations; Michael Deeb, general chairman; Jerry Griffin, tickets; Marcia Milanowski, decorations; Leon Byle, tickets.

The "INAUGURAL BALL," sponsored by the Student Senate as part of the Gala Weekend, was held Nov. 10, in the Black and Silver Room of the Civic Auditorium. Music was provided by the M.D.'s. Fr. John Hart and Fr. Bernard Hart, former faculty members, were on hand to crown the king and queen of the Ball.





The "SWEETHEART SWIRL," a dance with a Valentine theme, was presented by the senior class on Feb. 19. The students danced in the ballrooms of the Morton House to the orchestra of Henry Baar.



CHAIRMEN FOR THE SENIOR DANCE: Gary West, co-Chairman; Kathy Kolbeth, tickets; Adeline Drumm, decorations; and Robert Niedzielski



PLANNING FOR THE RAINBOW REIGN: Amelia Lalewicz and Jim Vogl, co-chairmen and Mary Campbell, publicity chairman



The "RAINBOW REIGN," the sophomore-sponsored "turn-about" dance, was held May 3 in the King Louis XV room of the Rowe hotel. The girls had an opportunity to treat the men of their choice to an enjoyable evening. Music was furnished by Lew Allen.

The "J-HOP," the final, outstanding social event of the school year was celebrated at Blythe-field Country Club, May 17. Music for the Junior Prom was furnished by Henry Baar.



J HOP COMMITTEES Ralph Hauenstein tickets Janet Gazella and Jim Pelon co-chairmen, Rita Henning, tickets; Bud Stephan, publicity; Sandy Thompson, decorations.

# circles



CO-CHAIRMEN: Ronald Olen and Mary Jane Stackowiak

The Circle, a tradition at Aquinas, includes activities in which both students and faculty find enjoyment. This year circles were held at the Knights of Columbus Club Rooms and the Armory.

The Circle combines entertainment by the various classes and organizations, dancing, group singing, playing cards and pool, and simply chatting. Through these informal get-togethers we have become better acquainted and have seen the Aquinas way in action.

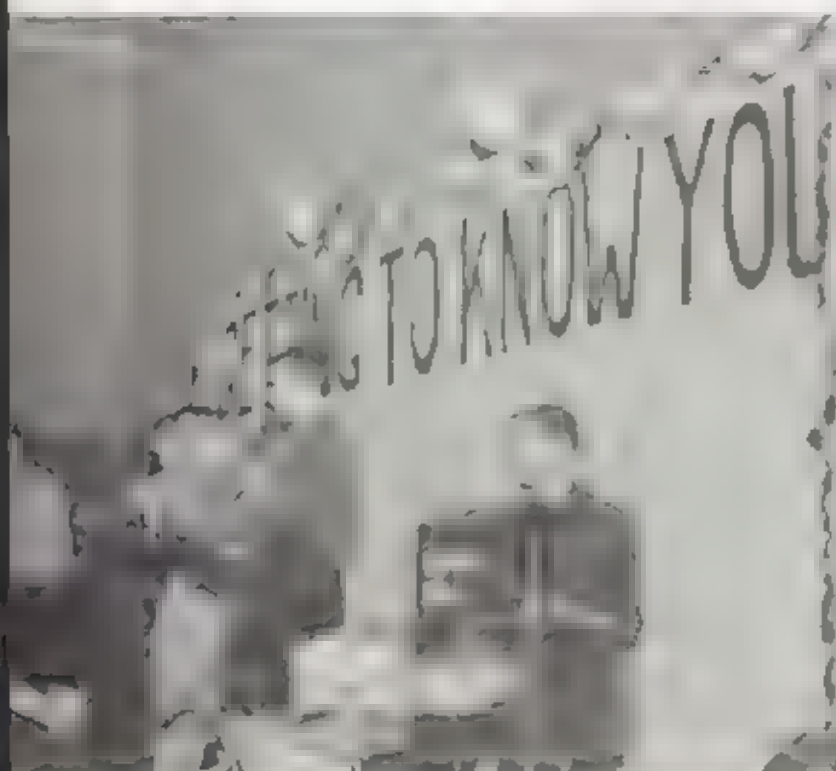
Held on first Fridays of every month, and on special occasions during the year, the Circles have become synonymous with fun to every Aquinas student.



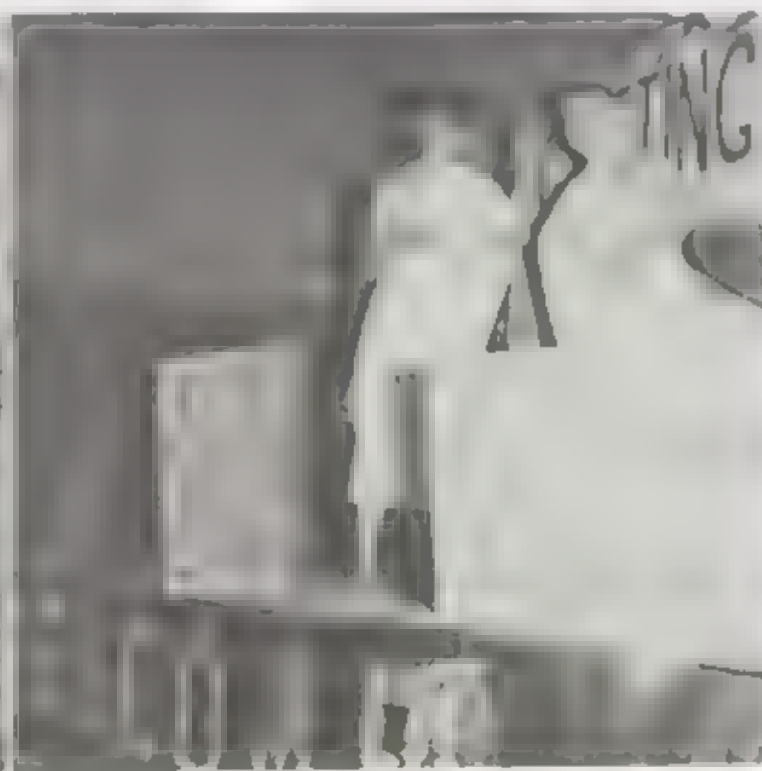
Jumpin' Jeannie and friend.



. hummm . . . you run into the darndest people!



Ich bin ein Musikante . . .



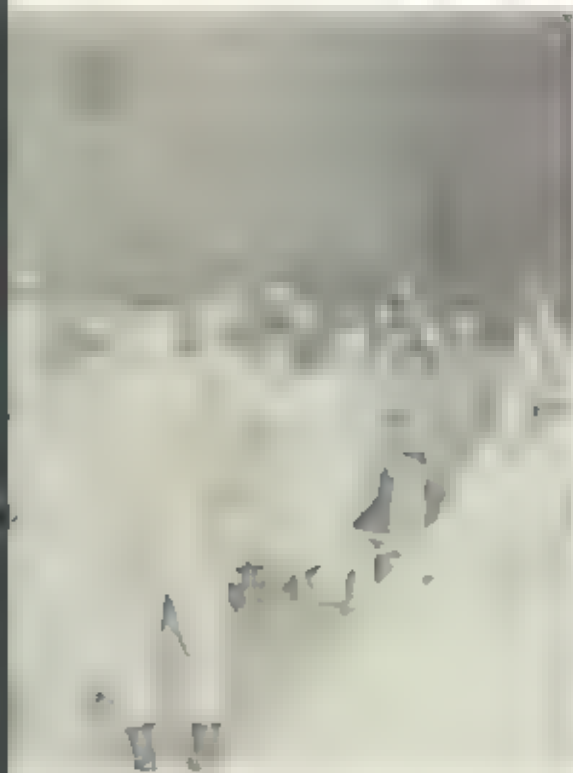
Et tu, Brute?





Gesundheit!!

What's their line?



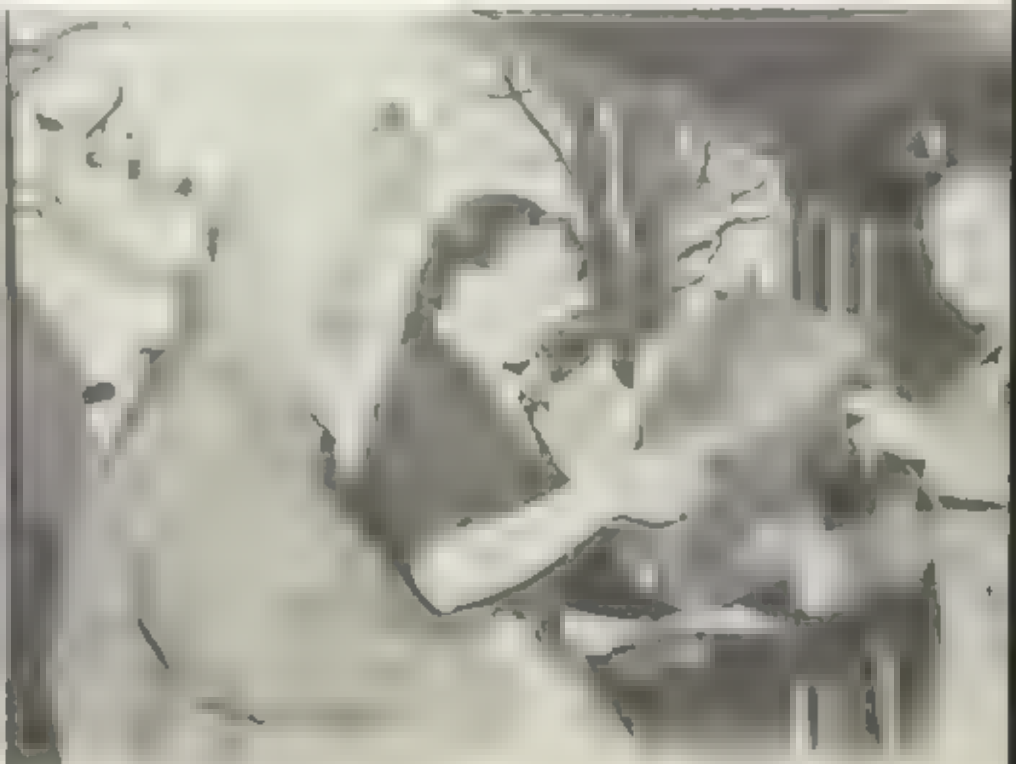
Mr. and Mrs. Porky Pig.



Pooh — pooh — pi — doo!



"John L." Smith



A new member?



C'est la vie.



What's your bid? ?



This job takes an executive engineer



Dear Mother, All I do is study . . .



Fine women and song.



Let's go, let's go, let's really go



Nothing but a hound dog!



Chahmed ah'm sure.

Hello there!



... the drums go bang and the cymbals clang.



The music should be something grand?

## a midsummer night's dream



The major project of the Dramatics Department this school year was a presentation of Shakespeare's *A Mid Summer Night's Dream*, produced and directed by Anthony J. Brink, associate professor of speech. The play was presented on February 19, 20 and 21; and a portion of it was shown on WOOD-TV, College Omnibus program on February ninth. Frederick Bernard, assistant professor of English, was technical director and Richard Sedlecky of the mathematics department, headed set construction.

The directors the members of the cast and the stage crew certainly deserve credit for their delightful production, which made Shakespeare's play live for the audience.

Leading roles were played by Del Corey, Marcia Milanowski, Gail Peterson, Thomas Caseletto and Mary Ellen Sloan.





The scorned Hermia, Marcia Milanowski, entreats the lover Demetrius, Del Corey, while Helena, Gail Peterson and Lysander, Tom Casaletto look on.



The hunting party discovers the reconciled lovers in the woods



Curtain-call for the sprites: Oberon, Joe Paul; Titania Barb Grabruck, Mustardseed, Rita Kline; Cobweb, Wanda Kochanek; and Puck, Mary Ellen Sloan.



During rehearsal Don Morris, Bottom, is made comfortable by Barbara Grabruck and her followers: Carmelia Selvaggio, Rita Kline, Amelia Lalewicz, and Joanne Keenan.



## t. v. workshop

The TV Workshop is a newly-formed organization comprising fifteen members from each of the three local colleges — Calvin College, Grand Rapids Junior College and Aquinas College — whose aim is to produce a nucleus of people who are well-informed about the work behind-the-scenes of a television show.

Classes held every Monday night from 7:30 to 10:00 p.m. at Woodland Center, are under the direction of Mr. Kenneth Welch, producer-director of TV Workshop, and include lectures on various aspects of TV work by experts in the particular fields.

Every third Saturday, one of the three colleges has an opportunity to present a half-hour long program on the local TV channel for the entertainment and enjoyment of the viewers in the home. The "College Omnibus" program is a means of giving the public a view of life and activity in the schools and is presented with the combined efforts of the student body and faculty of the respective colleges and the WOOD-TV personnel, with the fifteen members of the TV workshop as the core of the group.



A closed circuit program, produced by the respective groups from the three schools, is a time of learning from the mistakes of others. While one group writes, produces, directs, acts and runs the cameras for the "closed" show, which can only be seen on the monitors in the studio, the others stand by to criticize or question the performance. In this way, everyone becomes well-acquainted with the split-second action demanded of television personnel.

On February 18, the Aquinas members of the T.V. Workshop presented an original closed circuit program. The scene was a speak-easy owned by the bartender, Larry Farhat, whose daughter, Barbara Grabuck, was in love with the piano player, Bob Augustyn. All went well until the villainouse suitor, Tom Casaletto, entered and demanded the daughter or the establishment. The ending — well, this time the villain got the girl.



Of course, on any television program there is always the usual bit of advertising. And the Aquinas students were no exception, for they praised the good qualities of their favorite beverage on the closed circuit production.



## other events



In the interest of furthering the students' acquaintance with current affairs, the German club this year sponsored debates on the Near East situation and the question, "Will there be another depression?" The first subject was discussed on November 8 by a panel which included faculty members, Dr. Prange, Mr. LaMountain, Mr. Marin, and Mr. Clingman and students, Larry Farhat, Hikmat Alkouri, and Fauzy Ghareeb with David Hanks as moderator. The second subject was discussed on March 7 by faculty members, Mr. Phillips and Mr. Marin with Carl Nowak as moderator. The Men's Union was used as a meeting place.

These discussions proved helpful in familiarizing Aquinas students with current problems.

Contemporary art and artists were discussed at the February 20 meeting of the Art Students' League. Works of Edward Hopper, Thomas Hart Benton and Aquinas art students were analyzed and criticized. Hopper's prints were shown on the opaque projector. A film on the making of a mural presented Benton's talents and methods. Students brought their own work and gave explanations and/or excuses.



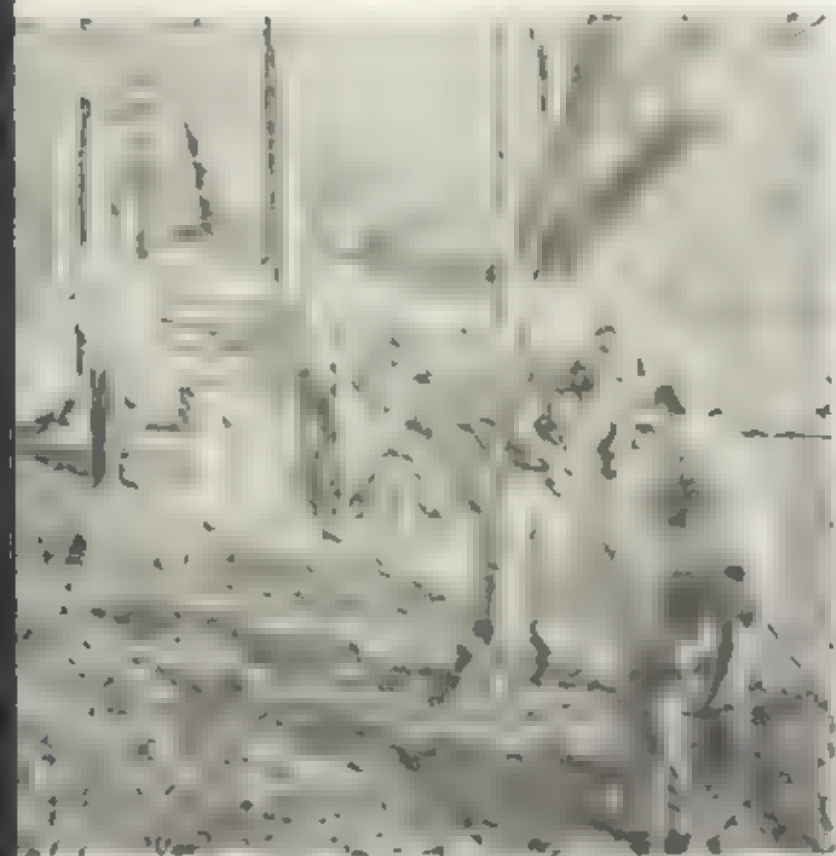


On September 26, shortly after the opening of the school year, the traditional freshman-upperclass football game was played at Wilcox Park. In friendly competition, the underclassmen proved their superior abilities by downing the frosh team by a score of 12-6. The spirit of comradeship evoked by a game of this type was, the team members admitted, well worth the stiffness and bruises which inevitably resulted.



All was not quiet on the shores of Aquinas' pond on October 27 when an entourage of men students and faculty gathered to initiate Project Lake Lily-pod, the cleaning of the pond to provide ice skating facilities for students. Attired in hip boots and armed with rakes, the men opened their attack on muck and weeds.

Besides the fact that this cooperative project served a practical purpose, it served a social one as well, as was evidenced by the spirit of fun with which the task was undertaken and completed.



Jack Fortner, Jack Durand, Robert Conn, Bert Walch, and William Sweetnam form the Woodwind Quintet under the direction of Mr. Henri Gibeau. It is a music workshop that studies Bach Fugues, French Suites, modern composers, and student compositions. They have appeared on College Omnibus and student music recitals.



Gamma Alpha Pi, Aquinas College Music Club, presented a program on March 21 at 8 P.M. in the recital hall. Carol Weatherman, G.R. freshman, was a gracious mistress of ceremonies to Aquinas students and guests who attended.

The program which consisted of vocal and instrumental selections gave the music students the opportunity to demonstrate their ability in public performance after long weeks of tireless practice. The well presented program was a step toward the achievement of Gamma's motto, "Always striving for the highest."

Performing were, Riley Dennett, Carol Weatherman, Karen Earl, Barbara Konieczny, Marlene Young, Yvonne Greiner, Marie Schatner, Jack Fortner, Thomas Benedict, Robert Conn, and Thomas Deschaine.





Taking advantage of the trend toward Italian Foods, the seniors on May 5 donned chefs' hats and aprons in preparation for the first senior class spaghetti dinner. This was the last money-making activity of the class of 1957. Its purpose was to increase the class treasury for the purchase of a gift for the college.

Aquinas students registered and voted on Constitutional amendments to the Student Senate Constitution on April 3. The polls were opened from 8 o'clock until 1 o'clock. The greatest controversy was over Proposal 1, to reduce our Student Senate from forty-one members to seventeen members. This proposal was defeated. Student interest rose with campaigns and vigorous student discussions between the opposing sides.

The Constitutional Committee, with James Morris as chairman, devoted much time to drawing up and revising these amendments. A member of this committee attended several language club meetings and explained the proposals.

To keep the Student Senate Constitution in accord with the college's growth in enrollment, Aquinas students did their part as future civic leaders to insure that just amendments were made by recording the votes of two-thirds of the student body.







# sports



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John Blondin



George Colburn



Kenneth Gilbo



Harry Hudson



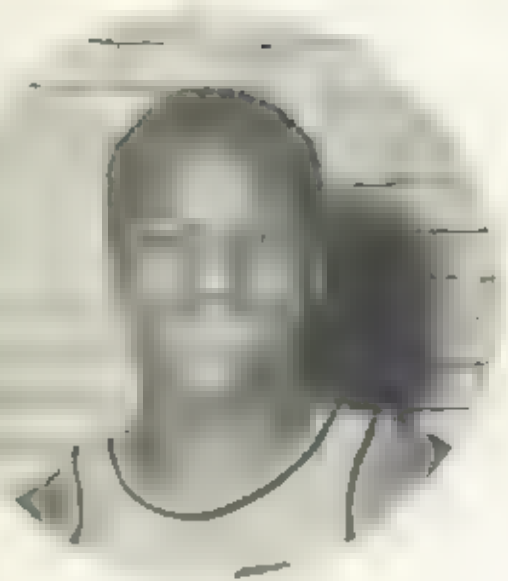
Roy Johnson



Frederic Kegelmeyer



Richard Kleff



Arthur Lee



Thomas Mayan



Lawrence Moriarty



Lawrence Slade



Roosevelt Smith



Eugene Sova



Bruce Spielmaker



James Vogl

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RESERVE TEAM: Front row: Frederic Kegelmeier, George Colburn, Harold Hudson, Thomas Barber, William Sebastian, and Bruce Spielmaker. Second row: Pete Bishop, Thomas Mayan, Gene Sova, Lawrence Slade, and Donald Murphy. Third row: Arthur Spagnuolo



Joe Baker, Aquinas' basketball and baseball coach, is in his seventh year as head coach here and has been in the business for twenty years.

The job of coaching the reserve team was taken over by the very capable Lloyd "Pete" Bishop. Pete guided the freshmen team to one of its most successful seasons.



# basketball schedule

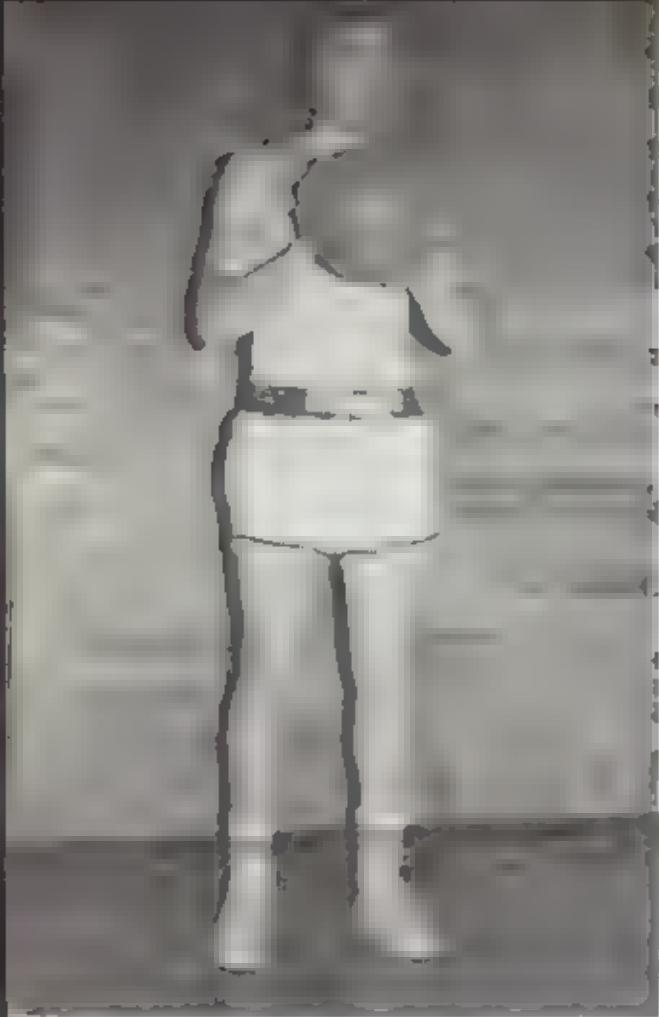
Fri.	Nov. 16	Northwestern	Away
Fri.	Nov. 23	Alpena J. C.	Away
Sat.	Nov. 24	Soo Tech	Away
Thurs.	Nov. 29	Muskegon	Away
Sat.	Dec. 1	Detroit Tech	Away
Tues.	Dec. 4	G.R.J.C.	Away
Thurs.	Dec. 13	Assumption	Home
Sat.	Jan. 5	Assumption	Away
Wed.	Jan. 9	G.R.J.C.	Home
Tues.	Jan. 15	Cleary	Away
Sat.	Jan. 19	Northwestern	Home
Thurs.	Jan. 31	Calvin	Home
Sat.	Feb. 2	Alpena	Away
Wed.	Feb. 6	Muskegon	Home
Fri.	Feb. 8	Detroit Tech	Home
Thurs.	Feb. 14	Cleary	Home
Thurs.	Feb. 21	Ferris	Away
Thurs.	Feb. 28	Ferris	Home
Sat.	Mar. 2	Soo Tech	Home

# cheerleaders



"Come On Team Fight" rang out, as six bright faces urged the team on to score. Captain, Mary Ellen Hands, called many extra practices this basketball season to insure precise co-ordination. Barbara Grabruck and Madeline Sadowski, other veterans, helped new-comers, Mary Ellen Sloan, Marilyn Pierce, and Judy Margrave, with their limber jumps.

The subs: Joanne Keenan, Judy Lee, Mary Boggiano and Judy Spendow, were very active this season and kept the number constant when illness or exams prevented attendance at the games.



The Tommie cage prospects picked up considerably when it gained the services of transfer student, Tom McCormick. Tom's flashy ball handling, accurate passing, and fine lay-up shots served as a spark to his hard-playing teammates.

Dick Weber, freshman, who missed the first part of the season due to an injury, returned to the squad to become one of its top scorers. Sharp out-court shooting by this likable lad accounted for many Aquinas tallies.





Top Right: workhorse, Larry Moriarity, is pictured driving down court, bottom right; Jim Vogl attempts a jump shot from the corner.





Rebounding is one of the essentials of a winning basketball team. Though they usually encountered taller teams the men from Aquinas were always in there fighting. Giving a good account of themselves are Bruce Spielmaker, above, and Dick Kleff, below. Both of these players not only evidence the fighting spirit of the team throughout the season but also offer a ray of sun light for the future since they are only Freshmen.

The hard charging Tommie ball hawks are all over the floor! Sova, Lee, and Spielmaker have that basket covered like a blanket. In the picture below sophomore Jim Vogl tips a jump ball over to swift Kenny Gilbo. Though Jim only stands six feet, which is comparatively short in basketball circles, his tremendous ability to spring into the air has enabled him to become the top rebounder on the squad.







Above left, the hustling Maroon and Grey five grabs an offensive rebound as Roosevelt Smith puts the ball just out of reach of a would be defender and feeds it back to John Blondin as Larry Moriarty moves into rebound position. In the above right picture big John Blondin maneuvers the ball into position for a lay-up shot.



Below, speedy Ken Gilbo vies for a jump ball with taller Assumption University player as his Tommie teammates move in to get the tip. The alert, hard playing Aquinas team gets the ball and passes it back to Bruce Spielmaker who jumps, shoots, and meshes two more points for Aquinas.





Coach Art Lee anticipates a definite up-swing for this season's tennis team. Jake Fuller, Chuck Budnick, Bud Stephen, Dick McGough, Dave Milanowski, Carl Ulanowicz, Art Lee and Paul Rich are the returning lettermen and are expected to lead the team this season. Additional support will be provided by the new members of the team who include Jim Huff, Dave Dumas, Carlos WeeTom, and Harold Cargas.



Carl Ulanowicz and Chuck Budnick

Jim Huff and Paul Rich



Dave Milanowski, Dave Duman, Harold Cargan, Ed Stephen, Jim Huff and Carlos Wee Tom

The Aquinas College tennis team will be playing all of its home matches on the Franklin Park courts and will open the season against Calvin on April 12. Thus far the tennis schedule includes matches with J.C., Calvin and Muskegon.



Coach Art Lee.



Dick McGough and Jake Fuller



Ed Stephen

# g O l f



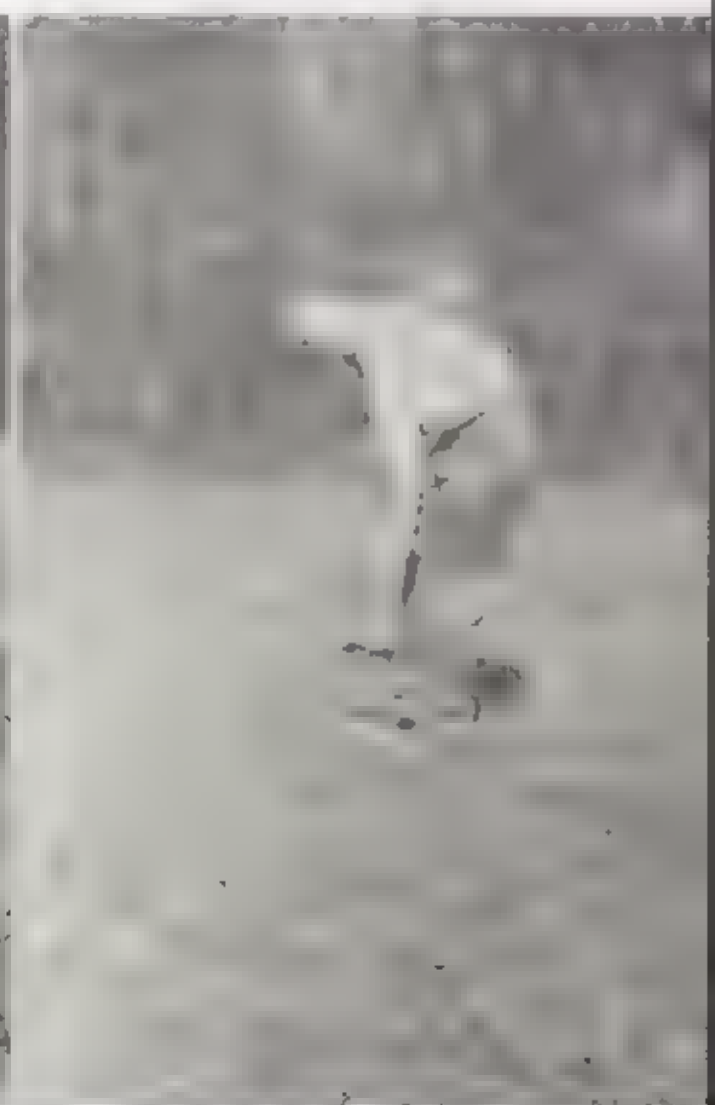
This season the Aquinas golf team will attempt to run its fourteen consecutive victories of last season to thirty by the end of May. Player coach, Dan Pupel, anticipates another fine squad this year and pins his hopes on a veteran team which includes Porky Ed Keltel, Paul Kolinski, Dan Pupel, Dick Doyle, Tom Bowler, Jim Vogl and Carl Berles. Mr. Pupel also reports that he is impressed by the good showing of freshman John O'Donovan who will see considerable action.



Daniel J. Pupel

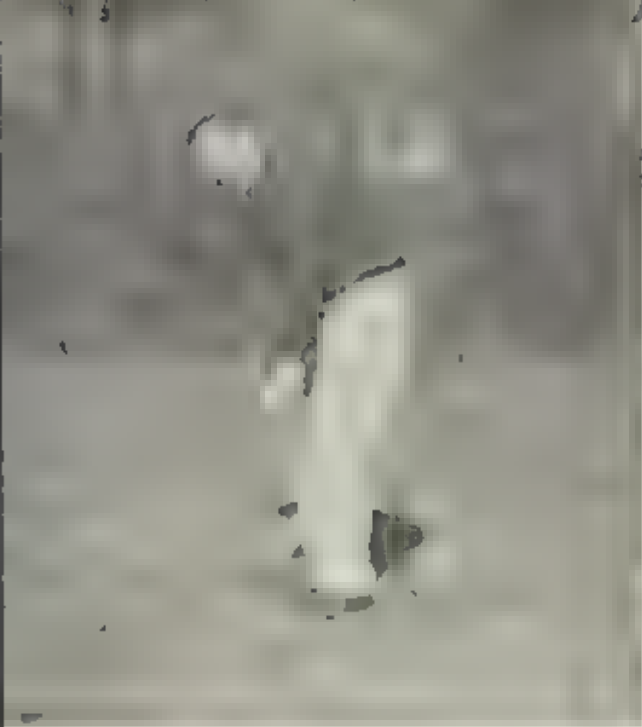


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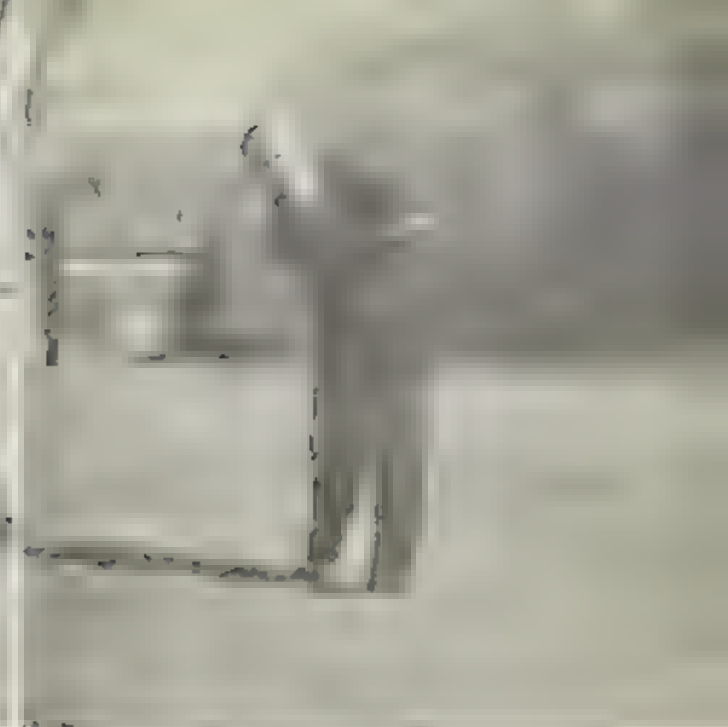




Edward Kelbel



Thomas Bowler



Richard Doyle

Ed Kelbel set a torrid pace last season to lead the Tommie linksmen with an excellent 73 average, including a pair of 69's. Kelbel was closely followed by Dan Pupel who had a 74 average and Paul Kolinski who averaged 75.

Good steady shooting like this has enabled the golf team to win the city title for four consecutive years, and they intend to make it five this season. The Tommie golfers also point with pride to their complete six year domination over Calvin.

This season the golf team has another tough schedule and will be again playing its home matches on the green fairways of the Grand Rapids Country Club.



# b a s e b a l l



Mr. Baker is looking forward to a successful baseball season this spring. Early practices have found thirty-five enthusiastic ball players fighting for a berth on this seasons Tommie ball club.

A host of returning lettermen including Pete Labinski, Bob Kelly, Bruce Kline, Frank Kosakoski, Gene Ward, George Colburn, Ray Mackowiak and Bob and Dick Crampton will form the nucleus of the squad. Mr. Baker is also pleased with the wealth of baseball talent to be found in the freshmen class.



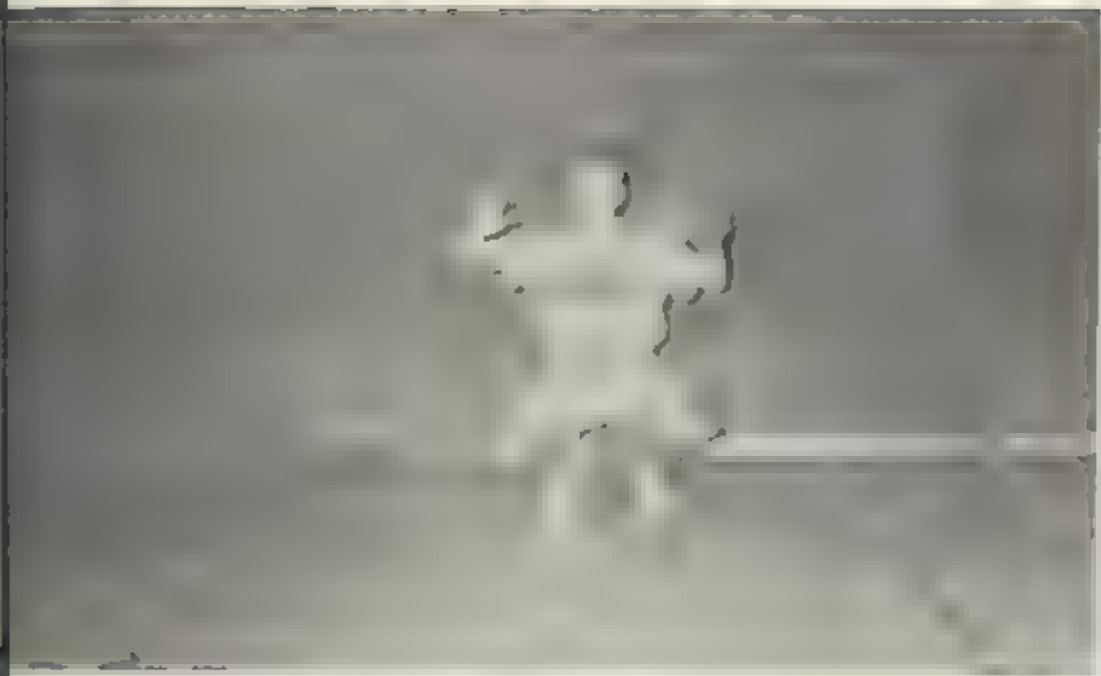
Gene Ward



Frank Kosakoski, Chuck Budnick,  
and Pete Labinski.



Bob Crampton and  
George Colburn.



Pete Labinski

This season the baseball team has a long and tough schedule ahead of it. The rugged season starts off with Albion on April 6th. Other contests will include Calvin, J. C., Jackson, Ferris, Ionia, Alpena, and the Central and Western Michigan frosh.

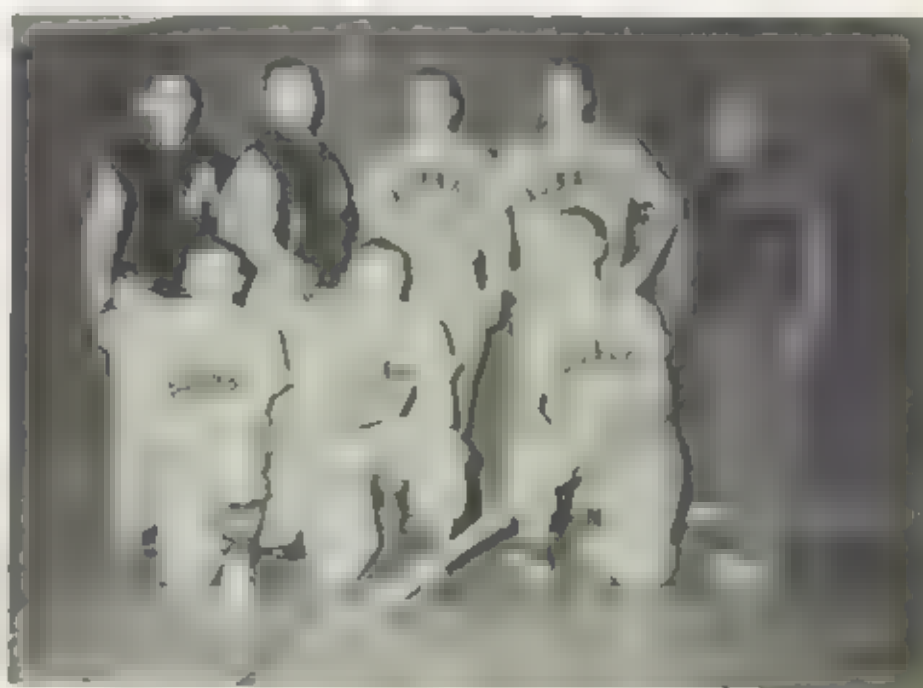
Coach Baker is concerned with the pitching department but field depth and power at the plate enable him to take an optimistic view of the coming season.



Robert and Richard Crampton



Dick Crampton, George Colburn, and Bob Crampton.



Front Row: Pete Labinski, Bob Crampton, Dick Crampton. Back Row: Chuck Budnick, Frank Kosakoski, Gene Ward, George Colburn, and coach Joe Baker.





# organizations





Student Senate officers: Thomas Quinn, Treasurer; Floyd McCoy, Vice-President, George Krupp, President, and Mildred Reider, Secretary.

## student senate

The body which represents students before the administration and functions as a student governing board, the Student Senate, has been one of Aquinas' most active organizations this year.

In addition to its major functions, the Student Senate undertook several additional activities including the sponsoring of the Gala Weekend, the rejuvenation of affiliation with the National Federation of Catholic College Students, and the appointment of a committee on Constitutional Change for the improvement of its own organization. The Student Senate was also instrumental in planning the purchase of a television set as a Christmas present for the Dominican fathers, and in supervising the clean up of the campus and the skating pond project. The Student Senate's achievements this year have been outstanding proof of a workable student government.

## credit union

The Aquinas College Credit Union is a Michigan corporation operating under the supervision of the State Banking Department. In its fourth annual meeting held on January 28, 1957, the officers, board members and committeemen were elected. Joseph L. Hansknecht Jr. was elected president, while Mrs. Sally Cyr Orgren, vice president, Bert J. Kelley, clerk; and Kenneth J. Marin treasurer, were re-elected for another term.

A report was made on the current dividend on savings which is now 4%. Total assets as of December 31, 1956 amounted to \$152,281.27, showing phenomenal growth since the organizational meeting in the Spring of 1954 in which the initial assets were about \$200.00.

A proof of the utility of the Credit Union to Aquinas students is the fact that on registration days, January 28 and 29, the A.C.C.U. made loans amounting to \$23,253.63.

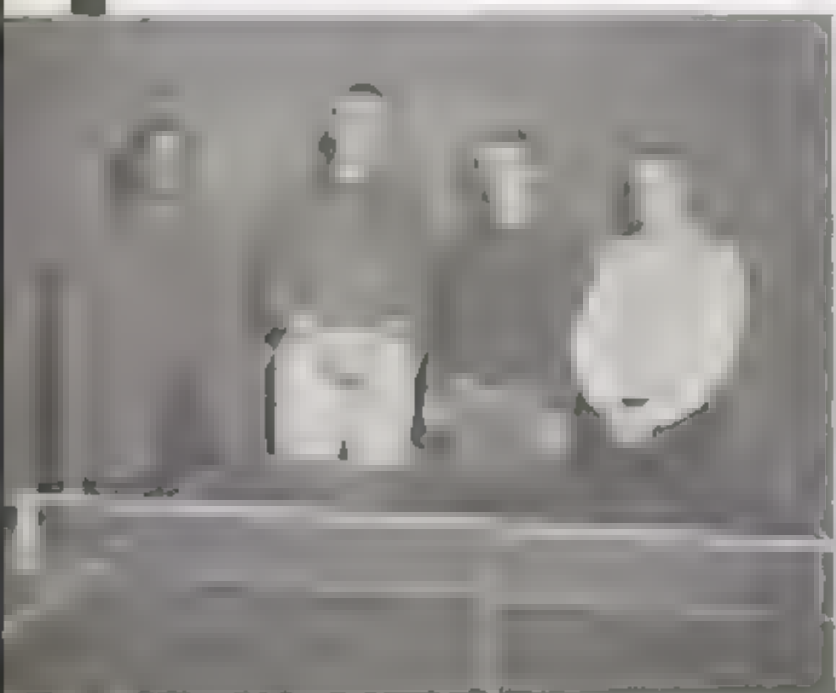
Mr. Marin, Treasurer, files details of an investment with Richard Doyle while Mrs. DeBoer writes up the recent reports.





The Men's Union is an association of all the men students at Aquinas. The Union this year assisted in the partial financing of the ping pong tables in cooperation with the Women's League. Under the chairmanship of John Schrems, the men cleaned the pond in preparation for skating this past winter. The Union also sponsored the Fishpond at the Gala Weekend.

The Union has also opened its doors for the series of discussions sponsored by the German Club.



## men's union

OFFICERS: Arthur Lee, John Blondin, James Casper, Lloyd Bishop.



## women's league



OFFICERS: Roberta Orr, Mary Ellen Sloan, Jane Ford.

The League, a spacious room on the ground floor at Aquinas furnishes a convenient place for women students to relax, study, or chat. The Women's League regulates and coordinates all activities for the entire body of women students.

The Women's League chief activities for this school year were its Sadie Hawkins dance, the League Leap, in the fall, the partial financing of clearing of a pond on campus for ice skating, and the purchase of table tennis equipment in the Commons Room in cooperation with the Men's Union.

Women's League officers chosen from the various classes were Jane Ford, president, Roberta Orr, vice president, Mary Ellen Sloan, secretary, and Karen Earl, treasurer.





## confraternity of christian doctrine

The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine has two main objectives, the religious education of children and youth outside the Catholic school system, and the offering of instruction to adults on a parish basis. At Aquinas, the eighteen members of the CCD are primarily concerned with the first objective. Aquinas members are employed in giving school year religion classes to young people ranging in age from pre-communicants to seniors in high school. During the past year, several students gave religious instruction to handicapped children.

## tertiaries of the order of st. dominic

The Third Order is an association of persons living in the world under a modified form of the Dominican Order rule and in accordance with its spirit. The members of the Aquinas chapter, under the direction of Rev. John Donahue, O.P., are pledged to aim at Christian perfection in a manner practicable in their secular mode of living by the observance of the rules approved for them by the Holy See. Those who enter the Third Order do not form a part merely of the Third Order but of the whole Dominican family. Thus they share in the fruits, privileges and indulgences as Tertiaries.

This year Aquinas Chapter of the Third Order conducted monthly meetings, recited the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary each Wednesday in the Chapel, admitted twenty five novices on January 30, and participated in a day of recollection held on March 24.





Senior delegate, Joan Ridley, makes arrangements for a Regional Conference with Co-Junior delegates, John Burns and Beth Geller.

## national federation of catholic college students

After a three year lapse, the National Federation of Catholic College Students was again revived on our campus. The aim of this national organization is to promote the lay apostolate among Catholic Collegent students to prepare them to take the responsibilities of Catholic leadership in their **parishes and communities after graduation.**

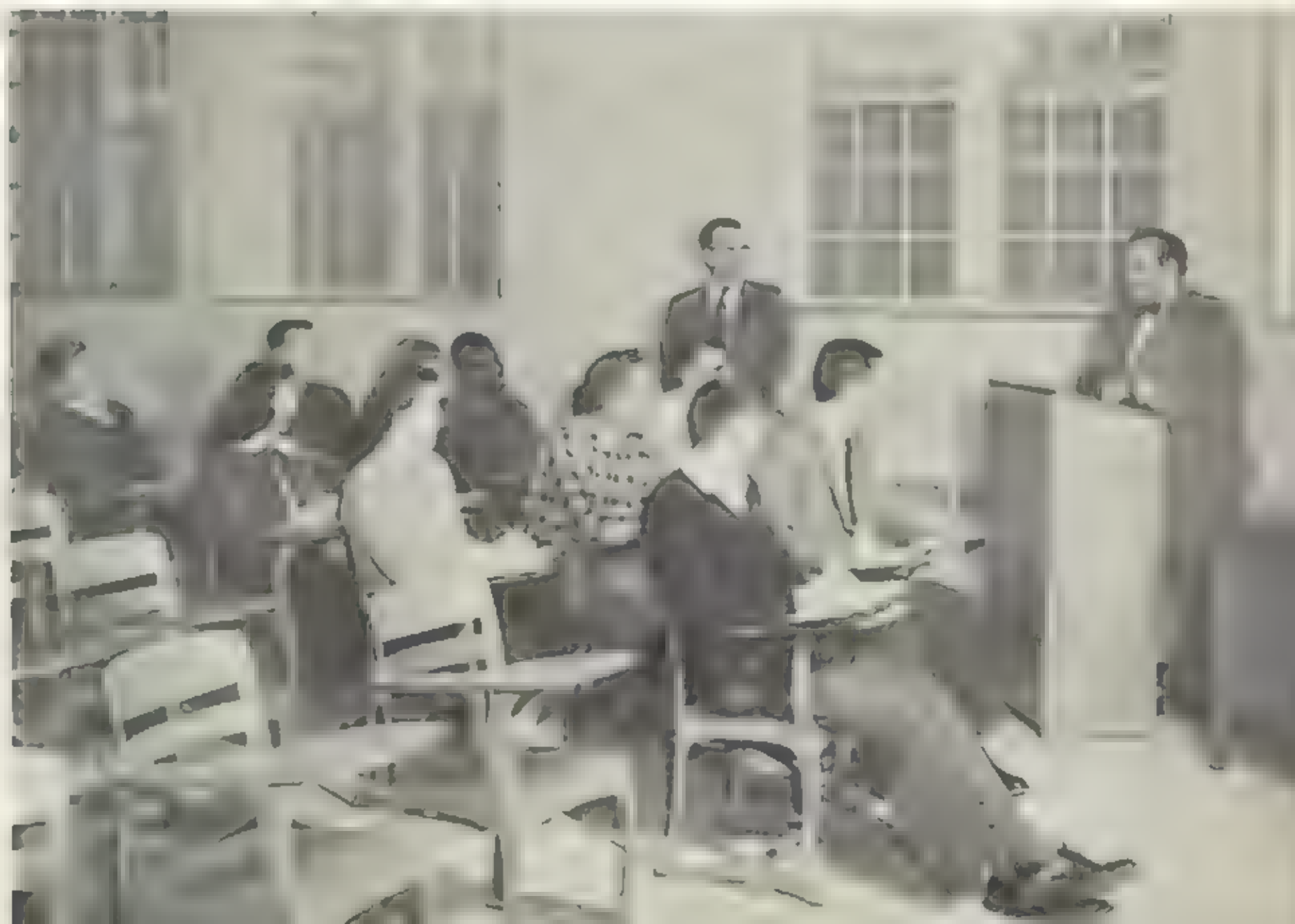
Aquinas is represented by senior delegate, Joan Ridley, and junior co-delegates, Beth Geller and John Burns.

In November the junior delegates attended a meeting of the Fort Wayne region held at Marian College, Indianapolis. At the Spring regional congress at Notre Dame University Aquinas delegates decided that this college would **conduct a work shop on Student Government next fall.**



## history club

The History Club is made up of students from the history department of Aquinas. It meets to discuss historical subjects and to hear lectures by the instructors and students of the department. Officers for the club are Michael Deeb, president, and Joan Wisneski, secretary. The faculty advisor is Lewis B. Clingman, associate professor of History.





Practicing for a program

## gamma alpha pi

Gamma Alpha Pi, the Aquinas Music Club has for its motto "Gradus ad parnassum," Always striving for the highest. Its objectives are to furnish opportunities for public performances by the students of the music department specializing in the instrumental and vocal divisions and to stimulate interest in these efforts. To accomplish these objectives the club program **chairmen planned six open programs for the season.**

These programs featured Barbara Komerczeny, soprano; Carol Weatherman, soprano; Karen Earl, soprano; Jack Fortner, clarinetist; Robert Conn, clarinetist; Riley Dennett, pianist and tenor; Marlene Young, pianist, and **Yvonne Greiner, pianist, and guest, James Howe, pianist.**

Officers for the school year 1956-1957 were Marlene Young, president, **Yvonne Greiner, secretary; and Riley Dennett, treasurer.**



## glee club



Practicing for the Verdi Concert.

Under the inspiring directorship of P. Peter Sacco, instructor in chorus and piano, the college chorus this year gained a better understanding and appreciation of the various musical works presented to the public. As a group, the members developed an enthusiastic and ardent spirit that knows the worth and meaning of the word "teamwork". And in the final analysis, because of these factors the choir has proved that perseverance in application receives its due reward.

As a fitting climax to this year's endeavors, the group presented the "Requiem", a masterpiece of sacred music, by G. Verdi, with orchestral accompaniment, on May 12. Featured as soloist with Barbara Konieczny were Lillian Garabedian, Fredonia State Teachers College, New York, Joseph Sacco, Eastman School of Music, N. Y.; and Thixton Sprenger, Grand Rapids. Pianists for this occasion were Yvonne Greiner, Joan Wisneski, and Larry Leich. Program chairman was Riley Bennett.

The chorus was an added feature of the following functions. The Grand Rapids Diocesan Rosary Procession, National Catholic Music Educators Association Convention, Christmas Concert, St. Stephen's parish program, the Honors Convocation, and the Marian Congress.





In order to practice and improve in speaking the French language and to learn more about France and her people, the French Club or Cercle Francais has been organized. In keeping with its first purpose the meetings of this organization are conducted entirely in French and the singing of French songs usually concludes the meetings.

Since France is a Catholic country, the sponsoring of the religious articles booth at the Gala Weekend was appropriate to the Club's purpose.

Moderator of the Cercle Francais is Sister Mary Bertrand, O.P., professor of romance languages at Aquinas. Officers for this school year are Rita Kolarik, president, Diana Dehn, vice president, Donna Locke, secretary, and Donald Brown, treasurer.

## french club



Members gather to sing French songs





"Gaudeamus igitur" one of the songs you would hear when attending an Aquinas German Club meeting, has been adopted as the motto of the German Club. Still maintaining the position as one of the most active clubs, this group played a prominent part in making Aquinas' Gala Weekend a great success with the "Old Heidelberg" restaurant complete with German atmosphere.

Aquinas students responded to the two panel discussions, on mid East and international affairs, promoted by the club. Another of the club's contributions to the school was a new south side entrance sign.

The social functions in keeping with the German Club's purpose were the annual banquet at the Schnitzelbank a German-style circle, Christmas party and Thanksgiving party as well as the annual Milwaukee trip.

The officers for the first semester, David Hanks, president, Bertha Brown, vice president, Cecelia Bradley secretary, and Joseph Schmidt, treasurer, initiated many of the activities while the officers for the second semester, Carl Nowak, president; Alice Wittenbach, vice president; Loretta Prein, secretary, and Richard Hoffman, treasurer, completed these plans with great success.

## german club



Another issue raised at a club meeting.



## spanish club

Enjoying a Spanish dinner.

The Spanish Club has as its purpose the fostering of interest in the Spanish language and Spanish customs and traditions among the students. It makes each meeting another step toward this goal. At every meeting club members see movies or slides of Spain and Spanish-American customs, and listen to talks about Spain. One meeting featured instructions in Spanish dances.

The Club celebrated the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, December 12, with a Mass in the College Chapel and a dinner at the Fiesta Cafe in the evening. For Pan-American Day, April 14, a skit was presented in Spanish. Spanish Club Circle, on March 22 featured delightful Spanish entertainment.

The Club is under the direction of Dr. Gines Maiques, Professor of Spanish. Officers for the year are Irene Vargas, president; Larry Vega, vice-president; Mary Lynn Robach, secretary; and Bill Bowersox, treasurer.



## lambda iota tau



Making preparations for a lecture by G. B. Harrison.

Aquinas is the seat of the Beta Chapter of Lambda Iota Tau, a national honorary society for literature and language students. The Greek letters suggest the official motto of Lambda, "Logos idean teller"—the word gives form to the idea.

The purposes of the society are to recognize the merit of deserving students, to stimulate interest in English and foreign language literature, to provide an opportunity for literature students to exchange ideas within the school and to acquaint Aquinas members with literary studies in other prominent institutions.

Guided by the moderator, Miss Mary Ann Seward, the officers, Adeline Drumm, president; Mary Rita Tomaszek, secretary; and Gary West, treasurer, directed the arrangements for the National Creative Writing contest on November 3, and conducted initiatory activities. The Beta Chapter also sponsored a lecture by G. B. Harrison of the University of Michigan on April 10.





At the beginning of the second semester, the Art Students League was formed for the purpose of representing the spirit of Aquinas college through the art department. Mr. Schweigardt, associate professor of art, serves as moderator, Bertha Brown holds the office of president, and Marilyn Dowler is secretary-treasurer.

At the meetings the members discuss old masters, evaluate contemporaries, and criticize each others works. The students visit the Grand Rapids Art Gallery for exhibitions and lectures. When weather permits, they gather up their equipment and go on sketching and painting trips either around the campus, out in the country, or to the shores of Lake Michigan.

The AASL has proved to be a stimulating meeting of minds with contrasting rather than conflicting ideas on the same subject.



## art club

Members gather to discuss their work





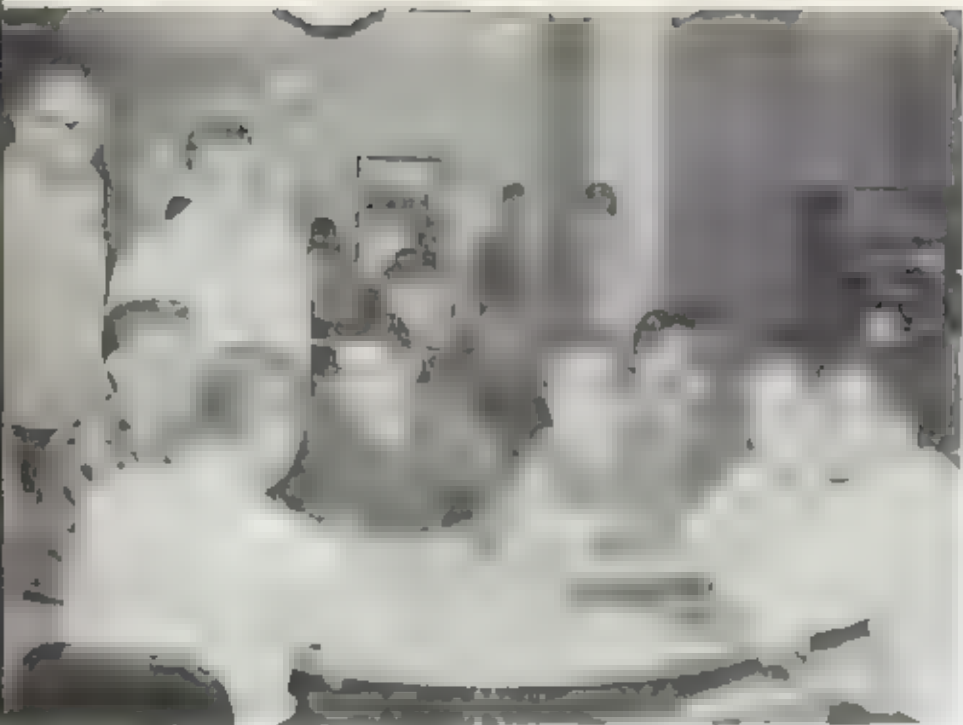
On March 22, 1957 a meeting of science students and instructors was held for the purpose of reactivating the Science Club. Plans were made for future meetings, and new officers were elected. The objectives of the Club are the furthering of interest in science, and acquainting science students with fields of science other than those which they are studying. The group planned lectures and discussions by instructors and students, and a series of lectures on astronomy.

The Club is under the direction of Dr. John Poje, associate professor of Chemistry. Officers are Robert Niedzielski, president; and Susan Cordes, secretary-treasurer.

## science club



Conducting an experiment.



## varsity club

Members of the Varsity Club discuss plans for purchasing new equipment.

The Aquinas Varsity Club endeavors to arouse school enthusiasm through the spirit the members put into their respective sports, basketball, baseball, golf, and tennis. The publicity derived from these sports interests many prospective athletes from high schools and other colleges. This year the club emphasized publicity through pep rallies, newspaper writeups and the scheduling of games with larger and more prominent colleges.

In addition to this purpose of stimulating interest in Aquinas, the club assisted in sustaining the morale of the athletes through the purchase of new equipment, the enlargement of the cheerleading section and in the arrangement of a spring banquet for the presentation of varsity letters.

Officers for the school year, 1956-1957 were president, Ron Russell; vice president, Larry Moriarty; treasurer, Art Lee, and secretary, Mary Ellen Sloan.



## ski club



Looking over the practice slalom course.

Down the slopes into the "Pines" is the new motto of one of the most energetic groups on our campus. Although the Aquinas College Ski Club has been formally organized for only two years, it has gone far in accomplishing its purpose of initiating and encouraging active participation in the social and athletic winter sport of skiing.

President Ralph Hauenstein, assisted by vice president, Mary Pat Miller, secretary, Gretchen Schwarz, and treasurer, James Haviland, have promoted active participation by arranging several weekend trips, inter-club competition, and competition in the Michigan Intercollegiate Ski meet at Boyne Mountain. In the latter event Mary Pat Miller, representing Aquinas in the final women's combined slalom and downhill race, won second place.

In combination with its principal activity, the ski club has also sponsored a banquet, hayride, circle, and canoe trip.

An achievement the Ski Club is proud of this year is an entire season with an inactive "Broken Bone Club."





The Bowling League, a new organization at Aquinas, was organized this year for the purpose of promoting interest in the sport of bowling among Aquinas students and faculty members, and offering a competitive sport in which women students can participate. The Bowling League experienced rapid growth and included approximately one hundred members at the end of the school year.

The two divisions of the League met on Mondays and Thursdays at Northfield Lanes in intermural competition.

Officers of the Bowling League are president, Gary West, vice president, Robert Bonczyk, secretaries, Roberta Orr and Marilyn Pierce; and treasurer, Richard Doyle.



Aiming straight for the pocket.

## bowling league





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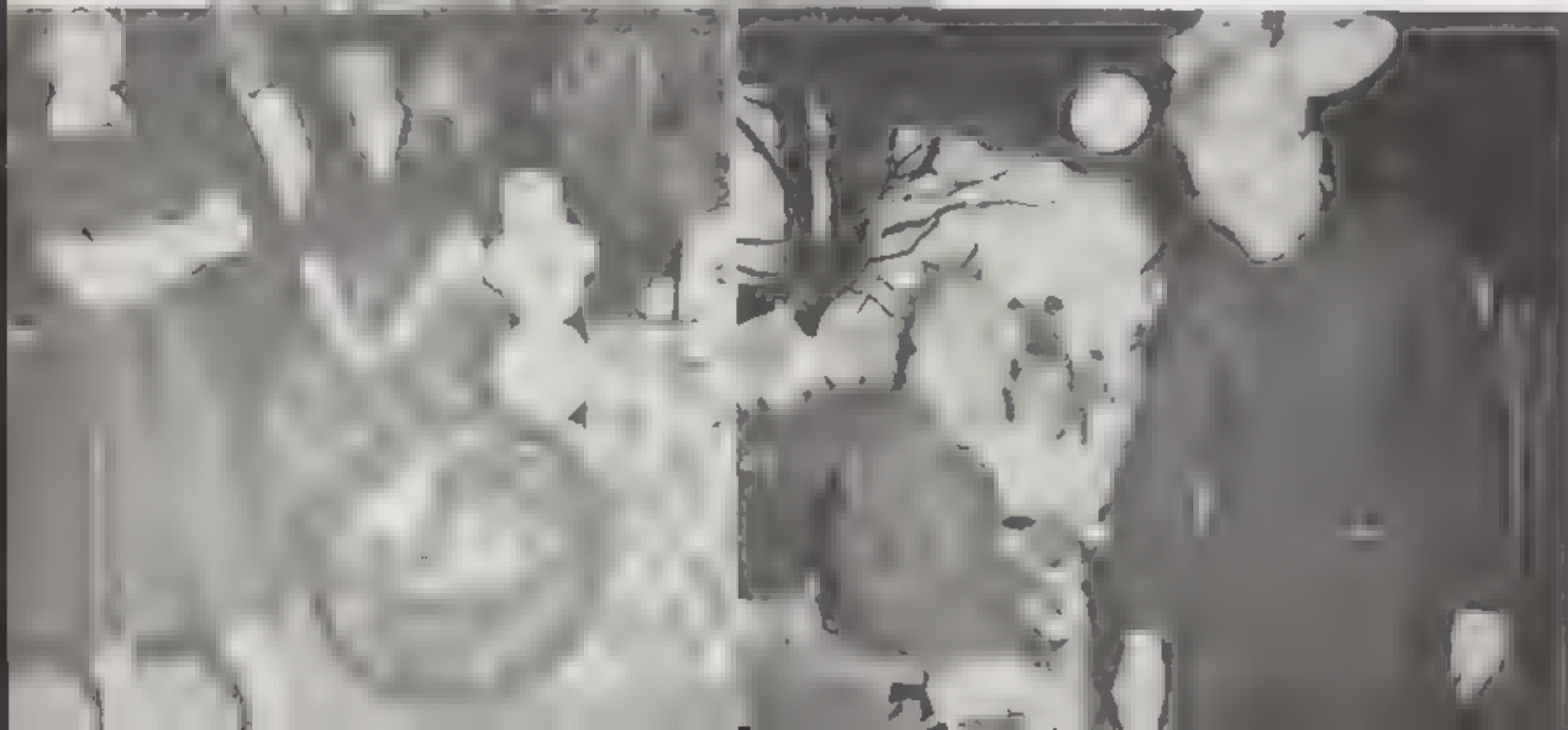


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